THE WEATHER.

Fair and warmer Friday; Saturday, clearing and somewhat colder; moderate east wind, shifting to northwest, Saturday.

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FEDERAL CONTROL HINDERS PROGRESS

Robert Mather Makes Statement Before Railroad Securities Commission

IT HAMPERS DEVELOPMENT

Head of the Westinghouse Company Gives Reasons—Urges Proper Publicity of Financial Operations—Details.

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New York, December 22.—"Federal regulation has put the railroads of this country in the position of not having sufficient means or credit to go ahead with their work of development," declared Robert Mather chairman of the board of directors of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, and well known as a railway executive, when called before the Railroad Securities Commission today. Continuing, he said:

"In my judgment, whenever the government authorities go so far as to regulate the question of rates and when such rates do not permit the company to operate under average economy so as to earn enough money to maintain the credit which is so essential in the operation of a railroad system, I believe the government should go further and lend the credit of the country in order to proroads in looking after their needs.

"Government regulation has no right to stop now and let the railroads flounder out of their difficulties."

Mr. Mather said that while extending Federal regulation was having the effect of making first class railroad securities very excellent investments, it also had the effect of making second-class securities upon which railroads are most dependent for the raising of money for additions and extenisons less desirable for investment purposes.

Mr. Mather contended that if the proper publicity were given the financial operations of allroads there would not be so many instances of unwise investments.

Frank Trumbull, chairman of the Railway Company, said that his sympathies were all with the Federal regulation, not because of its bearing on rates, but because of public interest Railroad men, he said, have come to the conclusion that they must commend themselves to the public as well as to each other.

Mr. Trumbull said he was in favor of having the government make a physical valuation of the railroads of the country, but he was doubtful of the course to pursue.

At the conclusion of today's session it was announced that the next meeting of the commission will be held in Chicago on January 23.

FIRE RAGING IN NORFOLK.

Originated in Odd Fellows Building and Threatens Other Property.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 22.—What is thought to have been the carelessness of Odd Fellows smoking in their lodge room tonight, will cause the complete destruction of the building. At 2:30 o'clock the fire is still raging and adjoining property is in danger.

The hall, a five-story building, is located in Church street in the center of retail clothing and shoe stores. The fire was discovered shortly after midnight in the lodge room of Brambleton Lodge of Odd Fellows. Janitor James W. Thompson said careless smokers threw lighted cigars and cigarette stumps on the carpet and caused the fire.

Practically every piece of fire fighting apparatus in the city is on the scene and the firemen are making desperate efforts to keep the flames from spreading to adjoining property. The building was formerly the old opera house, one of the most famous ancient playhouses in the South.

At 3 o'clock fire appears to be under control and adjoining property is safe. The damage is estimated at $150,000.

AVIATOR IS MISSING.

Made Long Flight and Never Returned—Anxiety.

Dover, Eng., Dec. 22.—The greatest anxiety is felt here concerning the fate of Cecil Grace, a member of the Royal Aero Club, who in an attempt to win the Baron de Forest prize of $20,000, flew over the English channel from Dover this morning, reached the Belgian frontier, only to be turned back by adverse winds, landed near Calais on the return trip, started from there on the homeward night across the channel and has since not been heard from.

The report that Grace landed near Deal is incorrect and inquiries along both coasts have proved fruitless. Up to midnight Grace was still missing.

THE HORNET CLEARS.

Vessel Off to Nicaragua—Suspected Filibusterer.

New Orleans, Dec. 22.—The steamer Hornet cleared from this port at 4 o'clock this afternoon for Cape Garcia, Nicaragua. Capt. Charles Johnson was in command and a United States inspector accompanied the boat to the three-mile limit in the gulf. The Hornet took on no additional men. She secured clearance papers last Tuesday morning.

MAURETANIA ENDS LONG TRIP

Big Liner Crosses Atlantic on Return Passage in Less Than Five Days.—Novel Scene at English Port.

Fishguard, Wales, Dec. 22.—The Mauretania, which left Liverpool December 10th in an attempt to make a record voyage to New York and return in 12 days, arrived here at 10:22 o'clock tonight. The quick voyage across the ocean and back and the rapid taking on of cargo at New York enabling the continental passengers to reach their destinations before Christmas, is a source of the greatest satisfaction both among the passengers and those who gathered here to meet the steamer.

It was the first time that a disembarkation at night by a big liner has been attempted at this port. It was a novel scene. The harbor was ablaze with searchlights, flares and rockets. Vessels blew their whistles, sirens brayed and the crowds cheered as the Mauretania steamed in, her band playing and her decks crowded with passengers. The weather throughout the eastern voyage was favorable. By the aid of four searchlights the 600 passengers and the mails were landed with the greatest expedition. The passage of the vessel occupied four days, 15 hours and 57 minutes. She maintained an average speed of 26.7 knots.

SCHOONER STILL ASHORE.

Martha E. Wallace on Lookout Shoals. Crew Rescued.

Morehead City, N. C., Dec. 22.—After a hard battle with heavy seas and high winds, Capt. William H. Gaskill and the crew of the Cape Lookout life Saving Station, succeeded in rescuing Capt. Osborn Ray and eight men composing the crew of the four-masted schooner Martha E. Wallace, of New York, stranded on Lookout shoals.

The Wallace, which sailed from Brunswick, Ga., last Monday, with cargo of lumber for New York, met heavy weather and during the early hours of Wednesday morning was driven hard aground on Lookout shoals, five miles out from Point Beach.

The dangerous position of the four-master was discovered by the life savers and Capt. Gaskill with his crew in the station's power lifeboat went to the rescue. After much difficulty the nine seamen were safely landed. Capt. Ray and his crew are being cared for at the Cape Lookout Life Saving Station today.

The Wallace has ten feet of water in her hold. She lies on the south side of the shoal. The weather had moderated and the chances of saving the vessel are good if assistance reaches her in time. It will be necessary to jettyson her deck load of railroad ties. The Wallace is a vessel of 1,007 tons and owned by F. W. Jones, of New York.

FLIGHT OVER NORFOLK.

McCurdy Watched by Thousands of Christmas Shoppers.

Norfolk, Va., December 22. — With thousands of Christmas shoppers straining their necks skyward to see him, J. A. D. McCurdy in one of Glenn Curtiss' aeroplanes, today made a trip over the business section of the city, crossed the Elizabeth river and flew down the harbor almost to Lambert's Point and back again.

The daring aviator covered about six miles in his flight. He started from Orapax avenue in Ghent, and after circling the business section along the water front, shot over to Berkley and circled the world's biggest clock, on Garrett's winery. He reached a height of about 700 feet, and he could be seen from almost every section of the city. Despite the freezing weather, hundreds of people gathered on the roofs of various buildings in Main and Water streets and watched McCurdy sail over their heads.

McCurdy said he suffered considerably from the cold, but that the machine behaved beautifully. The flight was made under the auspices of the Ledger Dispatch.

CLAPP BEFORE MAGISTRATE.

Wealthy Clubman and Wife Will Not be Reconciled.

Philadelphia, December 22. — H. Mason Clapp, the wealthy clubman, who was shot in the neck and seriously wounded during a quarrel with his wife in their Girard avenue apartment on December 12th,, today disproved the rumors that they were to be reconciled when he appeared before a magistrate and swore that she had deliberately shot him. She was held in $2,500 bail, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill.

Clapp swore at the hearing today that Mrs. Clapp shot him when he was about to slap her face during a quarrel which caused, he stated, by her "staying out late." He testified that she returned home at 1:30 o'clock in the morning, telling him that she had been on an automobile ride. He said he had reason to believe this was not true. When he rebuked her, he said she first shot him and then fired a bullet through the ceiling before raising the window to call for help.

Luverne, Ala., December 22. — Hidden for five days in constant terror of the posses of Crenshaw county farmers that have been scouring every section of the county to summarily avenge the shooting up of the Shirley and Pete families, "Babe" Salter and Charlie Salter were captured today by Sheriff Walter Tatum and Colonel C R. Bricken, of the Second infantry, in charge of the troops on duty.

For fireworks go to Polvogt's annex. de 23-2t.

FOURTEEN KILLED IN PHILADELPHIA

Firemen and Policemen Buried Under Debris During Big Factory Fire

SEARCH RUINS FOR BODIES

One Fireman Rescued Alive After Being Pinned Under Debris 12 Hours—Fire Probably of Incendiary Origin.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—Fourteen firemen and policemen are known to be dead and more than 40 are in hospitals suffering from injuries from which some will not recover as the result of the collapse of the walls of the burning five story factory of David Friedlanger. The ice bound ruins are still being searched for the body of Charles Edleman, who is known to be dead and to discover if possible the bodies of several other firemen who are reported missing.

William Glazier, who was held fast in the ruins for more than 13 hours, is in a hospital suffering from pneumonia, but at a late hour tonight his condition was reported to be greatly improved and the physicians have hopes of saving his life.

Pinned beneath an iron girder, Glazier gave one of the greatest exhibitions of fortitude on record. When he was found alive held down by tons of debris physicians wanted to amputate his legs in order that he might be removed. He protested, saying: "I will get out all right and in plenty of time. What good would I be without my legs. I would rather trust to the boys getting this junk away."

It is reported that the authorities believe that the fire was of incendiary origin and expect to make an arrest in the case. The police and firemen say that the flames seemed to spring up all over the building at the same time. There was nothing stored in the structure of an inflammable character, the floors being filled with machinery and leather.

The mass of debris is frozen solid and it may be several days before any additional bodies are taken from the ruins. Although Edleman's body was almost directly beneath Glazier's as the latter lay on the sidewalk, the remaining walls had to be razed before it was deemed safe to continue the work of digging in the ruins. Some of the fire companies whose members met death and injury in the fire and collapse, are today practically wiped out by the disaster. Engines No. 6, No. 23, No. 29 and truck No. 7 lost more than half their crews while other companies suffered less severely. Hardest hit of all was the house at Fourth street and Girard avenue. Five men from Engine Company No. 29 had been injured, the other men had received burns, cuts and bruises. Their house mates, the men of the Chemical No. 2 and truck No. 7, had suffered more severely. Each had lost two men by death and more of the men are in hospitals than in the fire houses. Four men in each reported for duty.

Truck No. 2 came back to Fourth and Race streets at noon with two men, a driver and a tillerman. The firemen had left the blaze in patrols and ambulances. With five men hurt and their foreman killed the survivors of engine company No. 15 rode slowly back to the house. The streets nearby were filled with silently respectful crowds as the doors were opened to admit the battered crew. All the men were dejected and showed their feelings plainly. Four men went back with company No. 6. They had lost one man by death and seven were injured. Their record was the same as that of company No. 23. Four men returned to work scarred and seared by the flames; five went to the hospitals and one man died.

Besides the funds to be raised by this committee and by private subscription the families and minor children of the firemen and the policemen killed will be provided for by the police and firemen's pension funds.

Nearly all the men left families. John Collins, fireman, leaves a widow and six young children; Harry Pertolet, fireman, leaves seven motherless children and some of the other victims left widow and two and three children. The case of Pertolet is very pathetic. His father, who lives at a soldiers' home, had come home to the son's house to spend Christmas with him and the grand-children, whose mother died 19 months ago. Everywhere were evidences of preparations for coming of Santa Claus and, even though the real Kris Kringle of the household lay cold in death, the little children who range from less than two years to ten, talked of the expected visit of the mythical one.

The records of the police and fire department show that 100 firemen, 60 policemen and ten police surgeons were engaged in the work of rescuing William Glazier. It took 60 gallons of oxygen, two quarts of Jamaica ginger, three pints of whiskey, strychnine and other drugs, rubber smoke hood, two rubber tubes, a suction pump, many picks, shovels, axes, saws crow bars and other tools and 12 hours of time to bring him out alive.

The escape from instant death of Glazier was truly remarkable. Glazier was pinned down by machinery and a heavy beam falling across his feet

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SIX NAVAL BOATS ARE NAMED

Choose Names of Officers Who Distinguished Themselves in War. Torpedo Boat Destroyers. The Details.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Acting Secretary Winthrop today bestowed names upon six torpedo boat destroyers, Nos. 37 to 42, now building, choosing those of naval officers who had distinguished themselves in time of war.

One boat is christened the Beale, after Edward Fitzgerald Beale, born in the District of Columbia February 4, 1822, and dying in this city April 22, 1893. Beale distinguished himself in the war with Mexico; served in the Civil War and was minister to Austria in 1876.

No. 41 bears the name of Jouett, after the late Admiral James E. Jouett, who had a splendid record of service in the Civil War, being with Farragut at Mobile Bay when he commanded Metacomet, which was lashed to Farragut's flagship during the battle.

He was born in Kentucky in 1828 and died at Sandy Springs, Md., in 1902.

No. 42 assumes the name of Admiral Thornton A. Jenkins, who chased pirates in the early part of the last century; assisted in suppressing Nat Turner's negro insurrection in Virginia; was present at the capture of the Buenos Arian squadron off Montevideo in 1844; commander landing parties from the Germantown in the Mexican war; commanded the Preble during the Paraguan Expedition; pursued that famous old filibuster William Walker, and was also with Farragut in the great battles in the mouth of the Mississippi, acting as his chief of staff. He was born in Virginia in 1811 and died in Washington in 1893.

No. 37 is christened after Nathaniel Fanning, of Stonington, Conn., whom John Paul Jones said was one of his chief aides in the famous victory on the British ship Serapis, commanding the forces of the main top in that engagement. Fanning died in 1805 with the rank of lieutenant in the navy.

A young midshipman, James X. Jarvis, a native of New York, will have his name perpetuated in torpedo boat destroyer No. 36. Congress, by solemn resolution mentioned his loss "as a subject of National regret," after the youngster had been killed in the engagement between the Constellation and Vengeance, February 18th, 1800.

Another hero of the battle between the Constellation and the Vengeance was Robert Henley, born in Virginia in 1783, and dying in Charleston, S. C., in 1828. He also commanded a gunboat division attacking the brigades in Hampton Roads in 1813 and led the American line in command of the Eagle in the battle of Lake Champlain, will be borne by destroyer No. 39.

CHALLENGES JOHNSON.

Kaufman Would Fight Him for the Championship.

New York, December 22. — Barney Gerard receipved a telegram tonight from Al. Kaufman, from San Francisco, asking him to send a challenge to Jack Johnson for a fight for the heavy weight title. Gerard accordingly sent the following message to Johnson, at Chicago:

"Al. Kaufman, who is now in San Francisco, has requested me to issue for him a challenge to fight you for the heavy-weight championship of the world, the fight to take place within six months or one year, according to your decision."

Chicago, December 22.—Jack Johnson, holder of the heavy-weight title, said tonight that he would accept the challenge of Al. Kaufman. "I am willing to fight Kaufman any time and any place," he said, "but there must be a suitable purse offered." He said he has not yet received the telegram from Gerard, and that he would not fight for a purse of less than $15,000.

DEATH AT FAYETTEVILLE.

Miss Sarah Elizabeth Phillips Passes Away Suddenly.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Dec. 22.—Miss Sarah Elizabeth Phillips, of this city, died suddenly last night shortly after suffering a stroke of apoplexy. She was the daughter of the late James Phillips and is survived by three brothers and four sisters, all of this city. The funeral will be conducted tomorrow afternoon.

OUTLINES.

Twenty-five men were killed including Fire Chief Horan and Assistant Chief Burroughs, under falling walls in a million dollar fire in the stock yards in Chicago yesterday——As a result of the conflagration in Philadelphia Wednesday night, 14 bodies of firemen and policemen were taken from the ruins yesterday. The men were killed under falling walls——Richard Mather, head of Westinghouse Company, appeared before the Railroad Securities Commission yesterday——The big ocean steamship Mauretania arrived at Wales yesterday, completing the round trip across the ocean in twelve days.

New York Markets: Money on call, steady, at 3 1-4 to 3 1-2; ruling rate, 3 1-4; closing bid, 3 1-4; offered at 3 3-8. Spot cotton closed quiet and steady; wheat, spot, firm, No. 2, red 98 1-8, elevator, and 97 5-8 f. o. b., afloat. Corn, firm; No. 2, new, 52 1-4, nominal, f. o. b. Oats, steady; futures, 1-4 lower to 1-4 advance; turpentine, firm.

Not "standpatters" but "stickpatters"—The Red Cross Christmas Seal.

Furs for children from $1.50 to $5.00 a set at C. H. Fore & Co's. **

COOK HOME AGAIN STILL CONFIDENT

Explorer Comes Back to Native Land After Stay in Foreign Countries

BELIEVES HE REACHED POLE

Heated Controversy Among Passengers on Steamship—Reporters Question Him Closely—Gives Interview.

New York, December 22. — Dr Frederick A. Cook came back to his native land today on the steamship George Washington, as calmly as if there had never been a North Pole controversy. He looked well and said little; in fact, a typewritten interview handed to reporters embraced all that he had to say with the exception of the necessary formalities of conversation thrust upon him by interviewers. Of far more dramatic interest was a heated controversy among the steamship passengers concerning the impression he had made upon them. The doctor still asserts that he believes he was at the Pole.

Dr. Cook in his statement referred to the fact that he was in the United States less than a month ago. "I arrived in Quebec on October 29th went to Troy, N. Y., then to Newburg and Poughkeepsie," he said. "I was in the two last named cities about three weeks, writing, revising and correcting proofs on my story. I registered under an assumed name because I was very busy—too busy to receive my many personal friends or newspaper men. No other precautions were taken to keep my presence concealed. I stopped at leading hotels and took an automobile ride each pleasant day. I was at the Palatine Hotel in Newburg most of the time." He left Poughkeepsie on the night of November 23, he said, and went directly to Halifax, where he sailed for Europe. Dr. Cook said that he did not know what his plans for the future will be. I have no plans whatever for going on the lecture platform.

"I have come back solely for the purpose of rehabilitating myself and my family by setting matters right with my countrymen," he declared.

The argument among the George Washington's passengers arose wher the doctor's sympathizers aboard wished it understood that he was received with no shadow of discrimination by the other passengers.

His enemies wished it made clear that he had been shunned. The minute the newspaper men who had gone down the harbor on the revenue cutter stepped into the saloon, representatives of both sides descended upon them. Persons who in ordinary circumstances dodge publicity as they would the plague, swooped down on the reporters and fairly button holed them in the eagerness to present their case first.

While the dispute on the ladies' saloon boiled, more temperate minded passengers elsewhere found time to tell without heat about the doctor's trip. He came aboard at Bremen they said, wearing a full beard, but had it shaved off on the first day.

His name did not appear on the passenger list, at first, but was placed subsequently—Herr Dr. Frederick A. Cook—in a supplement list issued. He was an unostentatious passenger playing cards of an evening with a few friends, and neither seeking or avoiding attention. Once when the toasts were going round before bed time, and it came his turn to name a health, he was quick to propose the Stars and Stripes—a toast that none could refuse.

Another time when a passenger who had not remarked him before asked brusquely: "Are you Dr. Cook?" he answered, "My name is Cook."

"Are you the Dr. Cook who went to the North Pole?" persisted the questioner.

"I have been there," asserted the doctor, gravely.

The typewritten interview which the doctor issued did not satisfy the reporters. They plied him with questions, but to almost all of them he parried.

"You have written this: 'After mature thought, I confess that I do not know, absolutely, whether I reached the Pole or not,' do you believe that you did?"

"I still believe it."

"Does your uncertainty at all extend to your ascent of Mount McKinley?"

"Not in the least. I shall have a reply to make to Professor Herschel C. Parker's latest attack on my ascent of Mount McKinley, in a few days—probably next Monday."

"Do you still believe in your records which you sent them to the University of Copenhagen?"

"Oh, certainly."

"Then why did you call Captain August W. Loose to aid you in compiling them?"

"That will be answered in the next installment."

"Yet you accept the verdict of the University?"

"Yes, I think we have accepted that."

"And you believe that Peary got to the Pole?"

"I have never questioned it."

From the steamer, Dr. Cook went direct to the Waldorf-Astoria, where he stayed before on his welcome from Copenhagen.

Mrs. Cook and the children, he said were still in France, where the children were going to school.

TWO BIG COTTON MILLS FAIL

Randolph and Naomia Companies Adjudged Involuntary Bankrupts. Liabilities Reach Three Quarter Million.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 22.—Three quarters of a million dollars are the estimated liabilities of the Randleman Manufacturing Company, and the Naomi Falls Manufacturing Company, of Randolph county, two of the oldest and largest cotton mills in North Carolina, which were adjudged involuntary bankrupts today by Judge James E. Boyd in the District Court of the United States.

The petition in the case was filed by three creditors, the Wachovia Loan and Trust Company, of Winston-Salem, the Greensboro Loan and Trust Company, and the Hunter Manufacturing and Commission Company, of Greensboro, whose claims aggregate $150,000.

Other accounts outstanding are large, an official of one of the bankrupt companies estimating that the total indebtedness would range from $750,000 to $800,000. F. H. Fries, of Winston-Salem, and T. A. Hunter, of Greensboro, were appointed receivers with power to continue the mills in operation.

The cause of the bankruptcy is attributed to the general depression for the past 18 months in the cotton mill business.

PEARY TO SHOW RECORDS.

Explorer Will Make Another Attempt to Get Rear Admiralship.

Washington, Dec. 22.—After months of persistent refusal on the ground of interference with contracts with publishers, Capt. Robert E. Peary, the Arctic explorer, has promised to furnish Congress with the proofs upon which he relies to support his claim of attainment of the North Pole. The assurance has been communicated indirectly to some of his advocates at the capitol in connection with the bill to reward him with a rear admiralship on the staff in recognition of his Arctic achievements.

The bill will be carried by the House Committee on Naval Affairs soon. Representative Macon, of Arkansas, a member of the committee, expressed in vigorous language his opinion of the explorer and his doubt of his ever getting to the pole and purposes to fight it on the floor. He is not the only opponent of Peary in the naval committee and there are other members of the House who objected to the proposed legislation and will join in the fight when the issue is presented on the floor of the house.

EXPLOSION SANK VESSEL.

Cook Instantly Killed and Seamen Injured at Tampa.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 22.—One man was killed, one is missing and two others were seriously injured tonight when a 50-gallon drum of gasoline exploded on the schooner Lillie White, of Key West at the Gulf Oil Company's docks here.

Caleb Parks, the cook, aged 62, was instantly killed, Capt. J. Russell is missing, James Parks, deck hand, was knocked unconscious and sustained a fractured skull; Harry Pards, son of Caleb Parks, had his right arm almost torn from its socket and was otherwise injured. The schooner was wrecked and sank to the bottom almost immediately after the explosion. The accident happened at low tide and the vessel was not submerged.

Immediately following the explosion the boat caught fire. There were nearly 200 drums of gasoline aboard and when the firemen arrived they feared that every moment would bring another explosion. The flames, however, were quickly extinguished.

PRINCETON GLEE CLUB.

Enthusiastic Reception in Baltimore—Great Musical Success.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—The Baltimore Sun had the following to say of the Princeton Glee Club, which organization gives a concert in this city tonight:

"Subjected to the critical scrutiny of old alumni of their alma mater, the Glee Club of Princeton University gave a performance at Lehmann's hall that not only was a musical success but satisfied even the most critical of Princeton's men. A carefully arranged program was delivered and the most applause was drawn by Jack Drummond formerly a member of the "Mayor of Tokio Company," when he sang all the old college songs. The concert ended with the singing of "Old Nassau,' and every alumni paying the song as much respect as it usually accorded the national anthem, stood on its feet as it was sung.

FATAL N. & W. WRECK.

Freight Conductor and Brakeman Killed at Arthur, Va.

Roanoke, Va., December 22. — Conductor J. A. Snyder and Brakeman H. H. Rousee were killed and their bodies partially consumed by fire in a rear-end collision between two freight trains on the Norfolk & Western Railroad at Arthur, Va., today. Snyder and Rowsee were in the cab of their train when it was run into by the locomotive of another train. The cab took fire. Snyder was a native of Asheville, N. C., and leaeves a family in Roanoke. Rowsee had been married only one month.

BIG CHICAGO FIRE COST MANY LIVES

Chief Horan and Twenty-Three Firemen Killed Under Falling Walls

RESEMBLED IRIQUOIS TRAGEDY

Mayor Busse Directs Search for Body of the Chief—Million Dollar Loss in Stock Yards.—The Disaster.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Fire Chief Horan, Assistant Chief William J. Burroughs, and 22 men were killed under falling walls in a milion dolar fire at the stock yards plant of Morris & Company early today. Fifteen firemen were seriously injured, including two captains, who may die.

Mayor Busse spent ten hours personally directing the search for the body of Chief Horan, who had been a life long friend. But the chief's body had not been recovered late tonight, although a wrecking train with derricks and steam shovels were used to clear away the burning ruins. The bodies of 18 men have been found.

The fire broke out afresh at 8 o'clock after it had taxed the strength of the fire department for 16 hours. Acting Chief Seyferlich sent a general call to outlying stations for fresh men. There aided by police reserves continued the fight on the fire and search for bodies of the dead.

Insurance men said that the killing of the chief and his men was not due to an ammonia tank explosion, as first supposed, but to the expansion of cold air in the beef warehouse due to the heat from the fire. This, it is said, forced the four-story wall to give way and collapse. The force behind the wall was as strong as though an explosion had occurred.

Apparently maddened by the death of their chief, who was popular in the department, firemen threw themselves recklessly into the work of clearing away the fallen wall. More than 50 men dropped from exhaustion, were carried back from the intense heat of the burning house. Despite the work of many engine crews, the fire continued to burn stubbornly all day and night. Thousands of people thronged into the stock yards and the police kept spectators back from the danger line with great difficulty.

Resembled Iroquois Tragedy.

Not since the days following the Iroquois Theatre tragedy, which like the disaster of today, was a holiday time horror, have such pathetic scenes attending a fire in Chicago. The bodies of the victims were taken to undertaking rooms on West 42rd street near the fire. Widows and children of the dead men, white faced and frantic, crowded into the place. The bodies were so badly mutilated in most cases that the police would not permit relatives to view them. In several instances women struggled with policemen to see their dead.

Mayor Busse, greatly affected by the death of Chief Horan, called a special meeting of the city council which convened late in the afternoon. A committee of five of the aldermen was selected to take charge of relief work for the families of the dead and to make funeral arrangements.

At the same time a meeting was held at the Chicago Club at which business men started a relief fund. The theatre managers also prepared to hold benefit performances.

How Men Were Killed.

An overhanging wooden canopy fell from the beef house of Morris & Company, where the fire started, carrying with it tons of red hot bricks and debris upon two companies of firemen and the chief, crushing them to death and encasing their bodies in a veritable furnace into which their comrades were unable to discover for several hours. Nearly all of those who were killed outright when the walls fell were roasted to death before help could reach them. On top of the canopy another group of firemen still played streams of water. Suddenly Lieut. Joseph MacKoy, leader of the brave band there, felt the wall going and shouted a warning to those beneath. He jumped with his crew and escape death, but the men below the canopy were waller in by the collapsing brick. The firemen took a stand near the building only to be driven back each time, blistered and scalded, and with lungs congested by steam and smoke.

Orders His Men Back.

Assistant Marshal Seyferlich, on whom now lay the command, realizing the futility of saving property then ablaze, drew all the men to one side and shouted: "We've got to let the rest of her go men. Get back here and we'll make a final stand."

"May be we can save this part," pleaded some of the undaunted men.

"Nothing on earth could stop it. Stop the fire in that building, boys," was Seyferlich's answer and the men fell back.

The assistant marshal acknowledged that the whole stock yards district was in danger.

"We've got no water here and we can do nothing effectively," he said, "but we've got to stick out there and head off that fire if it takes every man in the department."

Capt. H. H. Fuchs, of Engine Company No. 29, who had just left Marshal Horan with orders for his company, walked out from under the fatal canopy just as it crushed out the

lives behind him. "I'm all right, chief,' he told the assistant marshal a few minutes later. Blackened and blistered he was the only man left of his company.

Steady streams of water from one whole fire company which Seyferlich directed had somewhat cooled the fallen wall an hour after it had buried its victims and Seyferlich declared he heard a voice.

A shouted command brought a detachment of firemen from nearby posts who tore at the pile of debris with bare hands, axes and poles in hope that some of the men were still alive. Four bodies were recovered in a few minutes.

Out in her Ashland boulevard home Mrs. Horan, wife of the marshal, would not believe that her husband was dead until assured by the newspaper reporters. Then she tried to speak as she stood among her four little children, but words would not come and she fell in a swoon.

Mayor Busse, discussing with Assistant Marshal Seyferlich the death of Chief Horan, had a narrow escape. An explosion of ammonia pipes on the fourth floor of the building they were watching, threw bricks, beams and frozen meat in a shower about them.

Seyferlich threw himself in front of the mayor and though Mr. Busse is a portly man, Seyferlich almost crushed him to the ground to shield him from harm. Then grasping the mayor by the arm the assistant marshal rushed him away to safety.

By 11 o'clock the news of Horan's death had reached all the firemen and many of them sobbed aloud as they heard it. Those who were detailed to recover the bodies wept as bits of clothing of their lost comrades came to light. A crushed helmet brought up in a scoop of the big scraper proved to be that of Assistant Chief Burroughs and the devoted workers continued their labors with tears streaming down their faces.

Chief's Body Found.

Of the 25 men killed in the stock yards fire today by falling walls, the bodies of 19, including that of Fire Chief James Horan, had been taken from the ruins at a late hour tonight. The list of dead includes the chief, the assistant chief, two captains, five lieutenants, 13 city firemen, two private firemen and a railroad employe.

CRUSADE FOR FOREIGN TRADE

Promoting It from the Wrong End—Our Folly of Taxing Trade of Foreign Countries—Tariff Board.

(Editorial New York Commercial.)

The State Department at Washington has had $100,000 to spend the current fiscal year in promoting our trade abroad, and wishes to have the appropriation repeated for another year. It employs a kind of official "drummer," called a special agent, to facilitate the sale of American goods abroad, with no results that are perceptible. The Bureau of Manufactures in the Department of Commerce and Labor has been muddling over the same line of business for several years, with results that are equaly intangible. It seems to be looking for markets for various kinds of products of American manufacture and telling the manufacturers where to find them and how to get into them. There is no evidence that its efforts make any difference with the volume or value of trade; and, if the trade is to be had, properly qualified private agents of business houses would be much more effective in working it up.

This official way of promoting foreign trade is ineffective because it is working at the wrong end. It is quite as futile as trying to accomplish the same object by establishing American banks in foreign countries or subsidizing steamship lines, without removing the obstacles to the trade or modifying the policy that has been hindering it for two generations. The Tariff Board is supposed to have a similar object more or less in view and it will give promise of more success if it recognizes the obstacles upon which our trade is constantly stumbling and suggests some way of getting them out of its path, with force enough to secure action, of which there is little prospect at present. At all events, it is worikng at the right end of the line, and, if it has clear perceptions and makes an earnest endeavor to get at the truth, it may discover that the one great need of the situation is to reverse the policy of which the avowed purpose and the necessary result is to restrict and hinder trade with "abroad" and confine it as much as possible to the "home market."

There are just two fundamental difficulties with the foreign trade of the United States. In view of tendencies that have come to be clearly recognized in recent years, its increase in exports must henceforth be mainly in manufactured products, and the policy of the nation has long been to make these costly to produce and high in price. So long as that is the case and only the home market is considered in producing them, it is going to be hard to push their sale in competition with countries that produce them more cheaply. American banks and subsidized ships will help mighty little and at much cost. What is needed is more efficient and economical production, which will lower prices without reducing the return to either capital or labor, for it must ever be remembered that such return is not measured by wages and prices in money but by the substance which it will commend. There must be untaxed materials and supplies, unburdened operation, except so far as the support of an economical government requires taxes and burdens, and attention must be paid to methods of production that will bring the best results. Being shielded from foreign competition will not stimulate such methods.

Besides the hindrance of export trade by making too costly the production of the things to be exported, there is the hindrance of imports by burdensome customs duties, and this has been the deliberate policy of our tariff laws for nearly half a century. Obstinate adherence to the antiquated doctrine that the benefit of foreign trade lies solely in exports and not equally in imports, will have to be abandoned before such trade can have a healthy growth. Foreign trade is and must be an exchange of products; money being used only to effect the transfers and settle balances, with no other gain from its use. We do not sell abroad to get money but to get commodities and services, and the more costly we make these for our own markets the less advantage we get out of the trade. In short, our one great need for promoting trade with other countries is to remove the obstacles and hindrances which our commercial policy has put in the way and to do this our efforts must be used at home and not abroad. There is little use in working for markets abroad until we produce what the markets want in a form and at a cost that will enable them to take our goods in competition with others, or until we are willing to take foreign goods in return without ourselves adding a preposterous tax to the cost of getting them into our own mareks.

Farrar's Team Wins in Series.

With the game last night the preliminary games between Capt. Farrar's and Capt. LeMoyne's teams of the Y. M. C. A. came to a close, the former winning five out of six of the contests played. Capt. Farrar's team won the game last night by the score of 20 to 6. It was an exciting contest and witnessed by a large number. Those who compose the teams: Capt. Farrar, center; N. Davis and Smith, forwards; Cooper, Hall and Taylor, guards; Capt. LeMoyne, center; Walker and Cleoper, forwards; LeGwyn and Meier, guards.

SAME NUMBER IN CONGRESS.

Census Returns Will Not Decrease Representatives From Any State.

Washington, Dec. 22.—A House membership of 440 is the smallest number under the Census Bureau method of apportionment that will result in not decreasing the present number of representatives from any State.

This is announced in a detailed statistical statement submitted to the House Committee on the census today by the Census Bureau. The scheme was arranged to show the exact effect under any particular portion of representatives to the population under the returns of the 13th census. It starts with a minimum of 390, which is one less than the present size of the House and ends with a maximum of 440, each table showing whether on such a calculation States' representation would be diminished, increased or unchanged.

Chairman Crumpacker, of the committee, will have these tables printed along with other data necessary along the same line, and will call a meeting of this committee immediately after the re-assembling of Congress. He expects that the committee will be ready to report a re-apportionment bill at this session of Congress.

Athens, Ga., Dec. 22.—E. W. Moise, of Savannah, a senior at the University of Georgia, was today unanimously selected to represent Georgia for four years on the Rhodes scholarship at Oxford, England. Moise will study law. The committee of selection is composed of leading educators of this State.

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EDUCATOR PASSES AWAY.

William Shelton, Well Known in the South and West.

Stanford, Ky., December 22.—William Shelton, one of the leading educators of the South and West, died at his home here last night. He had been president of the University of Nashville, Los Angeles University and the Southwestern University, located at Winfield, Kan. He retired several years ago.

WIRES.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 22.—While an unknown intruder, a white man, who was intoxicated, wrestled with his mother in their home on the outskirts of Macon tonight, Wichtel Smith, 12 years old, took his father's shot gun and blew the stranger's head off.

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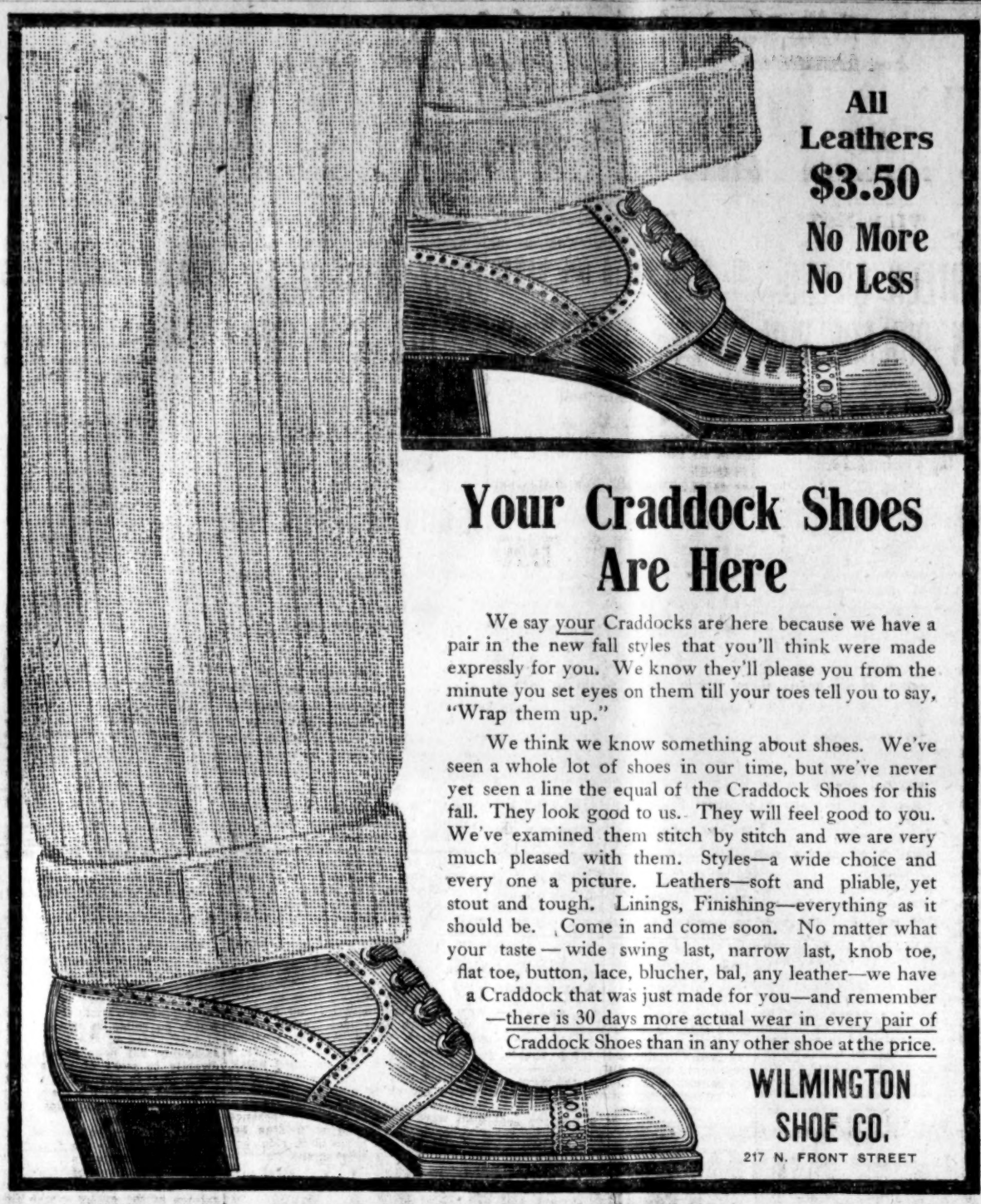

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TO CELEBRATE THE OPENING

Beaufort, Morehead City and Oriental Join Hands to Make Merry Over Completion of Inland Waterway Canal—Speakers.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Beaufort, N. C., Dec. 22.—The mammoth celebration, commemorating the opening of the southern end of the great Inland Waterway from Boston to Beaufort, will be held on the banks of the canal on January 6th, 1911. The towns of Beaufort, Morehead and and Oriental have joined hands to give this celebration and to make it a great success, the waterway now completed opening up navigation with the north with these three thriving and prosperous cities.

The character of the celebration will be a free oyster roast to all who attend. There will be a toastmaster and short speeches from United States Senator F. M. Simmons, member of the National Waterways Commission, Congressman John H. Small, Congressman C. R. Thomas, Governor W. W. Kitchin and Congressman J. Hampton Moore, of Philadelphia, President of the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association, and other prominent men. The railroads will give special rates and the people can secure transportation from Beaufort, Morehead City and Oriental to the celebration in the boats.

There is a committee of five appointed from each of the towns, Beaufort, Morehead City and Oriental, and these committees have elected Mr. W. A. Mace, chairman of the Beaufort committee, Mr. H. L. Gibbs chairman of the Oriental committee, Mr. C. S. Wallace, chairman of the Morehead City committee, Mr. C. L. Abernethy, chairman of the Publicity committee, Mr. C. D. Jones, chairman of the Transportation committee, and Mr. G. D. Canfield, General Chairman. There are special committees with Mr. W. S. Chadwick, of Beaufort, chairman, and Mr. W. M. Webb, of Morehead City, chairman, respectively.

Preparations are being pushed to make this one of the most unique celebrations ever held in the South. Large crowds are expected to be in attendance. Special invitations have been issued to the Chambers of Commerce of Wilmington, Newbern, Washington, Plymouth, Edenton and Elizabeth City, to join in this celebration. The public is cordially invited to attend.

JOHNSON-PIGFORD.

Marriage of Popular Young People at Clinton, N. C.

Clinton, N. C., Dec. 22.—An interesting event in the social life of Clinton was the marriage of Mr. Ferdinand A. Johnson and Miss Sudie Pigford, which occurred at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the Graves Memorial Presbyterian church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. L. Clark, pastor of this church, and was witnessed by a large number of friends of the popular young people who here plighted their troth. The altar was modestly but tastefully decorated with Southern smilax. Just before the marriage service delightful music was rendered by Mr. T. M. Lee, violin, and Mr. Harry Stewart, flute, with organ accompaniment by Miss Mary Moseley Pearsall. A solo was sung by Mrs. John P. Lamb, of Johnson City, Tenn., and was a much enjoyed feature. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law, Mr. Frank J. Faison. Dr. R. E. Lee, of Goldsboro, was best man and Mrs. J. D. Kerr, Jr., sister of the bride, was matron of honor. The ushers were Mr. Allman McKoy Griggs, of Portsmouth, Va., Rev. Geo. M. Matthis, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. L. C. Kerr, and Mr. Ferdinand Faison.

The bride is one of Clinton's most esteemed and highly accomplished young women, a daughter of Mrs. W. K. Pigford, and exceedingly popular. The groom is a prominent young business man of Clinton, and has a wide circle of friends. Immediately after the marriage luncheon was served to the wedding party at the home of the bride's mother, after which Mr. and Mrs. Johnson left for the North on an extended bridal tour.

WELDON NEWS NOTES.

Personal and General Items From the Halifax Metropolis.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Weldon, N. C., Dec. 24.—S. B Pierce, of Durham, was here on a visit last week——A. C. Zollicoffer, of Henderson, was here on a visit to relatives last week.——T. W. Fenner, of Raleigh, was here last week——A. B. Stainback, who has been working in the Navy Yard at Portsmouth, passed through here last week on his way to Columbua, S. C., where he takes a position with the Government——Miss Swannanoa Horne, of Clayton was the guest of Miss Jeannette Daniel last week——Rev. S. E. Mercer, who has been visiting his parents in Robeson county, has returned home——Lemuel Jones, of Brunswick county Va., was here Monday——Mr. and Mrs. Madison Armistead are here on a visit to relatives——Misses Belle Mazie and Lillie Stainback are here for the holidays——John B. Sledge and Pierce Johnson, from Trinity College, are home for the holidays——Landis Wilson and Barcom Harrell from Bingham School at Mebane, are spending the holidays at home——Miss Eva Medlin, of Norfolk, is here for the holidays——Mrs. Mary Binford Sledge spent several days in Norfolk this week——Rev. J. E. Underwood will hold his first quarterly conference for the new conference year December 25th and 26th. The district stewards will meet in Weldon January 3rd at 3 P. M.

Saved From Awful Death.

How an appalling calamity in his family was prevented is told by A. D. McDonald, of Fayetteville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 8. "My sister had consumption," he writes, "she was very thin and pale, had no appetite and seemed to grow weaker every day, as all remedies failed, till Dr. King's New Discovery was tried, and so completely cured her, that she has not been troubled with a cough since. It's the best medicine I ever sa wor heard of." For coughs, colds, la grippe, asthma, croup, hemorrhages, all bronchial troubles, it has no equal, 50c, $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Robt. R. Bellamy.

IMPRESSED WITH SCHOOLS.

Columbus Educator Talks of Superintendents' Meeting Here

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Dec. 22.—Our County Suprintendent of Education, Rev. F. T. Wooten, who attended the Southeastern Association in Wilmington last week, stated to the Star's representative that he devoted one entire morning to visiting Wilmington's city schools, and he never witnessed finer teaching. He was impressed with the systematic and businesslike manner in which the schools were run, and thinks Superintendent John J. Blair the very man for the place he holds. He says it is hard to find two men superior to Messrs Blair and Washington Catlett, the latter being County Superintendent. He is loud in praise of the hospitality of the people of your city, and says the bankers, business men, the press and the people generally were as nice as they could be.

Mr. Wooten says he has devoted almost his entire time for several weeks past to visiting schools, and he finds in every section almost unanimous enthusiasm among the people on the subject of education. Many of the schools are buying desks and libraries. He says the attendance in the colored schools is very irregular the children coming in at all hours up to 12 o'clock. Mr. Wooten warns these teachers that if the children do not attend at regular school hours he will close several of these colored schools as the people cannot afford to pay teachers to sit in the school room just to draw money.

CAN'T SHIP RATTLESNAKES.

Asheville Culturist Who Has New York Customers Sues Express Co.

(Special New York World.

Asheville, N. C., Dec. 20.—Because the Southern Express Company refused to accept shipments of rattlesnakes a promising infant industry has been swatted a death blow. Manuel Weeks, a citizen of Swain county, this State, alleges that he has cause for grievance against the company and has filed suit asking $5,000 damages.

Weeks owns much land adjoining the Vanderbilt forest. It is rough and untillable and especially adapted to rattlesnake culture. A New York naturalist, noticing the fine qualities of snakes that inhabited the cliffs of Week's farm, entered into a contract with him to pay $5 each for the extra large snakes and others accordingly. Weeks soon had a big catch of the deadly rattlers, which he boxed up and shipped to the New York address. He received a check and shipped a second lot, but while en route to New York the box was smashed. he rattlers escaping made the express crew desert the car. A day or so afterward the agent at Bryson City received an order to accept no more snakes for shipment.

FINE TOBACCO UNDER COVER

Plan to Grow Cuban Stock in Connecticut Valley—Three Thousand Acres Will be Utilized Next Season.

(New York Journal of Commerce.)

In tobacco circles keen interest is manifested in the announcement that the America Sumatra Tobacco Company and other concerns have made arrangements for the raising of Cuban tobacco under cloth in the Connecticut Valley. It is reported that from 2,500 to 3,500 acres of this tobacco will be grown next year; and negotiations are now in progress for the acquisition of property in the vicinity of Southwick Pond. The tent grown tobacco, it is said, will be available for use as cigar wrappers, and the novel feature in the undertaking is the raising of tobacco from Havana seed under cloth.

The American Sumatra Tobacco Company has already acquired the land owned by A. N. Graves, on the Suffield Plains, and will grow 250 acres of shaded toabacco on it next year. It is also said to have bought 300 acres in Avon, Conn., all of which is to be used for the raising of shade-grown tobacco. Clark Bros., of Poquonock, Conn., will grow 50 acres of Cuban tobacco for the American Company, and if the crop turns out as expected it will probably purchase a large tract of land in Poquonock or Windsor.

The Connecticut Tobacco Corporation, which is the leading exponent of Connecticut Valley shade grown tobacco has also planned to raise 400 acres of Cuban tobacco under cloth at their plantations in East Granby and Rainbow. In addition to the two concerns mentioned a New York firm has bought an interest in the Krohn Tobacco Company in North Bloomfield, and also have acquired 100 acres of valuable land between Suffield and Windsor Locks. L. B. Haas & Co., of Hartford, have secured options on five pieces of land in Suffield and two in Granby on the east side of the New Haven Railroad tracks and will grow 100 acres of shaded tobacco next season. The title of 80 acres of land in Suffield has been transferred by the A. D. Bridge Company, of Hazardville, to James H. Day, of Shuffield.

It is also reported that the American Cigar Company is about to enter the field and will grow tent tobacco on a large scale.

New York, Dec. 21.—William Quinn bet $10 that he could swim the East river tonight with the thermometer 12 degrees below freezing, he lost his wager and may yet lose his life. The icey water sapped his strength in just one minute and he was pulled to shore unconscious.

A Clean Man

Outside cleanliness is less than half the battle. A man may scrub himself a dozen times a day, and still be unclean. Good health means cleanliness not only outside, but inside. It means a clean stomach, clean bowels, clean blood, a clean liver, and new, clean, healthy tissues. The man who is clean in this way will look it and act it. He will work with energy and think clean, clear, healthy thoughts.

He will never be troubled with liver, lung, stomach or blood disorders. Dyspepsia and indigestion originate in unclean stomachs. Blood diseases are found where there is unclean blood. Consumption and bronchitis mean unclean lungs.

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Tug Boat Owners Are Sued.

An order having been received from Judge H. G. Conner, of the Eastern Nor... Carolina District, allowing the defendants to sue in forma pauperis, Deputy United States Marshal C. O. Knox yesterday served libel papers on the master of the tug boat "Tyra," and the craft will remain in his custody until bond is provided by the owners, or some satisfactory settlement of the case is made. The plainuffs are Arthur Rosenberg, Charles Ottel and Adolph Monk, who are suing for wages alleged to be due from service on the craft since it left New York city some weeks ago, the aggregating amount being less than $200. The yacht has been here for some time, and is being converted into a tug.

"Look for the label" on the really, truly "Christmas Candy"—"none genuine" without the Christmas seal on the box.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

These time tables are corrected to Nov. 28, 1910, but their correctness nor the arrivals and departures are not guaranteed, the figures being given as the best available information as to schedules of this company and its connections.

42	48	*Daily.	49	41
*7 00pm	*8 40am	Lv.. ...WILMINGTON.....Ar.	6 15pm	9 45am
10 05pm	11 37am	Ar. .....Goldsboro.....Lv.	2 59pm	6 40am
11 00pm	12 36pm	Ar. .....Wilson.....Lv.	1 52pm	5 40am
11 45pm	1 18pm	Ar.....Rocky Mount.....Lv.	12 58pm	5 05am
2 15am	4 55pm	Ar.....Weldon.....Lv.	11 20am	3 25am
4 00am	7 05pm	Ar. .....Petersburg.....Lv.	9 13am	1 40am
4 40am	8 00pm	Ar.....Richmond.....Lv.	8 15am	1 00am
8 00am	11 50pm	Ar.....Washington.....Lv.	4 20am	9 40pm
9 16am	1 15am	Ar. .....Baltimore.....Lv.	2 50am	8 20pm
11 35am	3 10am	Ar.....West Philadelphia....Lv.	12 19am	5 44pm
1 31pm	5 40am	Ar.....Manhattan Tr. (a)..Lv.	9 50pm	3 58pm
1 50pm	b5 50am	Ar.....NEW YORK.....Lv.	*9 30pm	*3 38pm
		(7th Ave. & 32nd St.)		

(a)—Connections made at Manhattan Transfer with trains to and from Jersey City and thence with Desbrosses or Cortlandt street ferries and with Hudson River Terminal tubes to and from lower New York City.
b—Sleeper may be occupied until 7:30 A. M.

48 and 49—Pullman parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman service.

42 and 41—Pullman Broiler buffet sleeping cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains with Pullman service.

42	48	*Daily	49	41
*7 00pm	*8 40am	Lv. ... WILMINGTON ... Ar.	6 15pm	9 45am
11 45pm	1 18pm	Ar. .. .. Rocky Mount ... .. Lv.	12 58pm	5 05am
3 30am	1 20pm	Lv. .. .. Rocky Mount .. ... Ar.	12 55pm	10 35pm
4 13am	2 05pm	Ar. ... ... Tarboro ... ... Lv.	12 18pm	9 58pm
8 00am	5 55pm	Ar. .. .. NORFOLK ... ...Lv.	*8 15am	*020pm

42 and 41—Pullman Broiler buffet sleeping cars, Wilmington and Norfolk.
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55	51	*Daily	50	54
*3 15pm	*5 45am	Lv.....WILMINGTON.....Ar.	11 40pm	1 40pm
7 25pm	9 30am	Ar. .....Florence.....Lv.	8 00pm	9 30am
2 25am	3 25pm	Ar. .....Charleston.....Lv.	4 37pm	5 25am
2 25am	3 30pm	Ar. .....Savannah.....Lv.	12 05pm	12 25am
11 55am	2 20am	Ar. .....Albany.....Lv.	1 25am	1 55pm
9 40am	1 45am	Ar. .....Thomasville.....Lv.	2 05am	2 05pm
5 50pm	8 50am	Ar. .....Montgomery.....Lv.	6 50pm	6 05am
7 15am	8 00pm	Ar. .....JACKSONVILLE.....Lv.	7 30am	7 55pm
2 05pm	2 16am	Ar. .....Sanford, Fla.....Lv.	1 35am	2 55pm
7 00pm	7 00am	Ar. .....TAMPA.....Lv.	9 00pm	10 30am
8 55pm	8 00am	Ar. .....ST PETERSBURG.....Lv.	8 15pm	6 45am
10 20pm	1 05pm	Ar. .....FORT MYERS.....Lv.	*3 00pm	*6 45am

ALL TRAINS CARRY PULLMAN SLEEPING CARS—Sleeper arriving Wilmington on No. 50 at 11:40 P. M., may be occupied until 7:00 A. M., and sleeper leaving Wilmington on No. 51 at 5:45 A. M will be open to receive passengers at 10:00 P. M., the previous night. Seat fares sold in Pullman cars to and from Wilmington.

55	51	*Daily	32-50	54
*3:10pm	*5 45am	Lv..... .....WILMINGTON..... .....Ar.	11 40pm	1 40pm
7 25pm	9 30am	Ar..... .....Florence..... .....Lv.	8 00pm	9 30am
9 20pm	11 15am	Ar..... .....Sumter..... .....Lv.	5 55pm	7 40am
11 10pm	12 50pm	Ar..... .....COLUMBIA..... .....Lv.	4 10pm	6 00am
9 25am	.....	Ar..... .....AUGUSTA..... .....Lv.	2 30pm	.....
11:50pm	1 10pm	Lv .... COLUMBIA, Sou. Ry. .. ..Ar	2 30pm	4 40am
5 30am	7 40pm	Ar..... .....Saluda, Sou Ry..... .....Lv.	8 45am	10 25pm
6 00am	8 15pm	Ar..... .....Hendersonville, Sou. Ry..... .....Lv.	8 05am	9 50pm
7 00am	9 15pm	Ar..... .....ASHEVILLE Sou Ry..... .....Lv.	7 00am	8 50pm
7 20pm	.....	Ar..... .....Knoxville, Sou Ry..... .....Lv.	*1 35am	7 40am
8 40am	.....	Ar..... .....Louisville, Sou Ry..... .....Lv.	.....	8 00am
8 00am	.....	Ar..... .....CINCINNATI Q & C..... .....Lv.	.....	*8 10pm

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57	51	55	*Dly	†Dly	Ex. Sun	xSun	only	54	50	58
7 30pm	*5 45am	*3 15pm	Lv.....	WILMINGTON	....Ar.		1 40pm	11 40pm	8 30am	
9 15pm	7 28am	5 09pm	Ar.....	CHADBOURN	...Lv.	*11	40am	*9 56pm	6 25am	
10 10pm	11 50am	x5 15pm	Lv.....	CHADBOURN	...Ar..	7	10am	5 00pm	6 15am	
11 45pm.	1 30pm	6 45pm	Ar.....	CONWAY	... Lv.	x5	40am	3 30pm	4 30am	

61	53	*Daily	Daily ex Sun	60	52
6 30pm	*8 45am	Lv.....WILMINGTON.....Ar.	10 15am	8 05pm	
9 45pm	11 45am	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv.	7 10am	4 50pm	
9 45pm	12 10pm	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar.	6 30am	4 45pm	
11 10pm	1 40pm	Ar.....SANFORD.....Lv.	5 05am	*3 30pm	

62	64	*Daily	Daily Except Sunday	63	65
*3 25pm	5 50am	Lv..... ...WILMINGTON..... .....Ar.	12 50pm	6 50pm	
5 22pm	7 42am	Ar..... ...Jacksonville, N. C..... .....Lv.	10 55am	4 55pm	
6 44pm	9 10am	Ar..... Nor. & Sou. Junction..... .....Lv.	9 35am	3 35pm	
6 50pm	9 15am	Ar..... ..... NEWBERN, N. C..... .....Lv.	*9 30am	13 30pm	

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10:00	10:45
11:30	12:15
1:00 P. M.	1:45 P. M
2:00	2:45
3:00	3:45
3:30	4:45
4:30	5:15
5:30	6:25
6:10	6:50
7:10	7:50
8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45

SUNDAYS.

8:30 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
9:30	10:15
10:00	10:45
11:30	2:15 P. M.
1:00 P. M.	1:45
2:00 and every half hour until	2:45 and every half hour until
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6:10	6:25
7:10	7:50
8:30	9:15
10:00	10:45

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Friday, December 23, 1910.

Virginia towns should not go to calling themselves cities simply because some of their people have begun to use door mats.

A Texas farm hand was discharged because he neglected to water the stock. Corporation managers need not have any fear of being discharged on similar grounds.

Judge Lovett, who controls the Harriman lines, declares that he prefers National to State regulation of railways. He must be convinced that there is little chance for Col. Roosevelt and New Nationalism in 1912.

The standpatters now favor a permanent tariff commission. They do so because a Democratic Congress cannot be relied upon to perpetuate the protection feature of the tariff like a commission established by standpatters.

Greenville, N. C., has a new fire alarm system, and if he is disposed to have fun, Editor Whichard, of the Greenville Reflector, can have a false alarm turned in by displaying a head of hair that some mean contemporaries liken to a conflagration.

"Is marriage a failure?" inquires a contemporary which has been struck with the numerous suits in the divorce courts. We should say that with titled foreigners marriage is equal to several failures. They get more money out of marriage than a Pittsburg merchant does out of a failure.

It is stated that Prof. Alvan A. Tenney, of the department of sociology at Columbia University, has invented a system by which he claims he "can compute approximately how much time the average man spends in thinking about any given subject." A system like that would give Col. Roosevelt away.

Paul Morton declares that "the big trusts should receive justice." What he really means is that they should not be treated with injustice. Of course, if they "should receive justice" it would just about play smash with them. The big trusts will get the square deal if they will quit criminal imposition upon the masses of the people.

Great alarm has been created because some military man has declared that a foreign power could land 200,000 troops in America because of our lack of adequate defense. If any fool Nation lands that many troops anywhere in this country the South would kidnap them and put them to work raising more 15-cents cotton.

A man in the country sold an old horse to a city man for $65 and the city man kicked because the horse couldn't do anything but eat. The tight wad might have known that $65 would hardly buy the frame of a horse at present prices. Doubtless, the farmer considered that his city customer, with pocket change like $65, wanted to purchase a consumer instead of a horse.

The Republican Senators which investigated the charge of bribery against Senator Lorimer, of Illinois, held that the evidence was not sufficient to invalidate the claim of Senator Lorimer to his seat in the Senate The "flimsy" evidence was that three members of the Illinois General Assembly confessed that they bought votes for Lorimer and four members confessed that they accepted bribes to vote for Lorimer. The exoneration of Lorimer puts the bribers and the bribe-takers in a hole. The finding of the Lorimer committee shifts the blame to them for lieing on themselves and spending their money for fun at the expense of Lorimer.

TROUBLE FOR HITCHCOCK.

Under the civil service rules, "higher up" Federal officials have been more or less active in calling down subordinate officials for "pernicious activity in politics." We are rather inclined to think it is a good idea for officials not to act in a partisan political manner, but we have often recognized the absurdity of holding mere subordinates responsible while the greater responsibility attaches to men who are more fortunate in occupying higher positions and who should set the example for less responsible officials and government employes. The fact is, to tolerate pernicious political activity on the part of higher officials and condemn it in subordinate officials and placeholders and punish them for it, is discrimination that is both unworthy of the government and violative of common sense.

Postmaster General Frank Hitchcock is known as the politician member of the President's Cabinet and no doubt it would have been better for him in his own party, as well as among his political opponents, if he had not been such a conspicious political minipulator. He permitted Roosevelt to use him in setting the corks for Taft's nomination, and since then the Postmaster General has kept up his political work until it threatens his undoing.

No doubt that accounts for the opposition he is now receiving from both Republican and Democrats in Washington. A Washington special states that simultaneously with an attempt to revive the bill for the establishment of the office of Director of Posts, which came up for a short time in the House of Representatives Tuesday afternoon, has come a revival of the criticism of the Postmaster General. "This criticism," says the special dispatch, "proceeds from the members of the House Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads and is based upon the alleged delays of the Postmaster General himself and his devotion to politics rather than to administrative duty."

The big ones as well as the little ones may as well be raked over the coals. If the officials lower down can be held to account for neglecting the public business for the sake of politics, how much more responsible is an official who has more serious administrative duties to perform? Political activity of a pernicious character makes any official unpopular, and in all probability it will interfere with any further usefulness of Postmaster General Hitchcock. The dispatch to which we refer, goes on to say that there has been a strong reaction of feeling against Mr. Hitchcock's proposals for changes in second class and other postal rates, "due to the personal lack of confidence which has grown up."

Doubtless, for the same reason—pernicious activity in politics—Col. Roosevelt also finds himself in a position where it will be hard for him to regain the confidence and support of the American people.

SQUARE DEAL IN THE SOUTH.

Aside from the merits of the case and the material interest of South Carolina and certain South Carolina cities in the ownership or control of certain railroad lines in South Carolina by the Southern Railway, the decision of the Court of Common Pleas at Columbia, S. C., on last Tuesday, in the so-called "merger case," shows that a railroad can get a square deal in Southern courts. The merger suit appears to have had real little public sentiment behind it, and, if we believe the finding in the merger case is correct, there was very little if any law upon which the Southern's leases could be attacked.

We have no doubt the trial court in South Carolina went fully into the law and the facts and refused to dissolve the lease of certain lines by the Southern Railway upon the contention that such leases were in violation of a South Carolina statute prohibiting the acquisition or control of a parallel or competing line by any other railroad or transportation company. The decision of Judge Shipp, therefore, must mean that the Southern Railway has not violated the la wand that the leased lines were in no particular sense competing lines. The Charleston News and Courier in an editorial says:

"In our judgment, the verdict rendered by the jury at Columbia yesterday in what has come to be known as the Southern Railway merger suit, is for the best interests of Charleston and of South Carolina. The people generally will be glad that the case is ended at last. It has been hanging fire a long time. * * * Moreover, regardless of whether or not it would have been advantageous to this city and to the State to have prevented the acquisition by the Southern Railway of the properties the control of which it took over in 1902, it is patent that the declaration now that its lease of those properties is invalid would have produced a condition of chaos, and that this and other communities must have suffered severely in consequence, for a time at any rate."

The Southern Railway seems to have acquired the leased lines in order to strengthen its system and render more complete service as a trunk line. According to President Finley, the purpose of the Southern in making the leases was to get into the port of Charleston, because Charleston was primarily regarded as essential in the development of commerce in South Carolina. Of course, the port also was essential in developing the traffic of the Southern Railway and it was a mutual commercial and traffic eventuality which we are prepared to believe was to the advantage of both Charleston and the Southern Railway.

Probably, an adverse decision would have been detrimental to Charleston, and, in that respect, it would have been demonstrated how sometimes a law might appear wise and timely today and yet, in the march of progress, a few years hence it might prove to be a relic of folly and an obstacle to the development of the State and its chief port.

REVIVING A SCANDAL.

In all probability nothing will be done with the resolution introduced in Congress by Representative Rainey, of Illinois, providing for the appointment of a committee to investigate the railroad expenses incurred by Col. Roosevelt while President. The resolution has particular reference to transportation furnished by the Pennsylvania Railroad at the beck and call of the former President while he was in the White House.

The Rainey resolution revives a scandal that might be attributed to the "swinging round the circle" custom or to Col. Roosevelt's fondness of flying from pillow to post on political jaunts while he was President The effort of Mr. Rainey might be passed over as trivial or useless, but it is taken seriously by him and a great many of the leading newspapers of the country. This matter was aggravated by a stockholder of the Pennsylvania Railroad who complained that Col. Roosevelt secured transportation amounting to nearly $100,000 and that the stockholders should not be burdened with it. It is claimed that either the Government or President Roosevelt is indebted to the Pennsylvania Railroad for nearly $100,000 and Mr. Rainey thinks that if the money is owed it is due by one of the two parties, Theodore Roosevelt or the United States Government.

Mr. Rainey, who is a Democrat, takes the position that if the Government owes anything for the. President's expenses the bill should be paid, and "if the Government does not owe the money its credit should not be injured by a misconception in the minds of the people as to just who owes the money." We should presume that if the railroad holds the Government responsible, it would present a bill for the amount. If Col. Roosevelt owes it, that is his own business, but it is mighty poor business.

The investigation has about it a humiliating aspect but it might serve to expose some distinguished inconsistencies and emphasize some Presidential proprieties that should be regarded by men who get to be President of the American Republic.

NEAR-BEER BUSINESS.

Evidences continue to mutiply that the reign of "ni-beer" in North Carolina is fast nearing its end, its undoing to be accomplished at the forthcoming session of the General Assembly in January. The Legislature can ill afford to totally disregard the recommendations of the three great religious bodies that have spoken in their annual gatherings this year in no uncertain manner, and now comes Attorney General Bickett, who is by no manner of means a so-called "fanatic," and declares in his report to the Legislature that "near-beer" is an unmitigated nuisance and should be torn out "root and branch." The Presbyterians at their Synod in Rocky Mount earlier in the year declared most unequivocally for some relief from the Legislature; both the Western and North Carolina conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, did not handle the question with gloves on and the Baptists of the State at their great convention at Hendersonville a few weeks ago did not mince words in their enunciation upon the subject. The people themselves are quite willing to concur with the Attorney General that the so-called near-beer establishment is an "unmitigated" nuisance and it is a gratifying sign of the times that not only the great religious denominations but public officials are speaking out on a question fraught with so much importance to the peace and prosperity of the State Even the most pronounced of the so-called "liberal minded" have recognized in near-beer a nuisance, the abatement of which cannot come too speedily.

THE RECORDER'S COURT.

We take it that there can be no valid objection to the effort set on foot by the Wilmington Ministerial Association to restore to the grand jury of the Superior Courts of this county a concurrent jurisdiction with the Recorder in the investigation of violations of the State prohibition law. The grand jury is one of the Nation's most ancient and tried institutions, a bulwark of the people's liberties and a conservator of the peace and welfare of the country that has always been recognized. The strange part of it all is that a Legislature should have even divided a jurisdiction which has so long been recognized by both the laity and legal profession. There can certainly be no harm in the restoration of this jurisdiction and many of us can see but good in the proposed change to the old order of things. Let us hope that the committee which has this matter in charge will suffer no relaxation of the effort as the date for the convening of the Legislature approaches.

A New York man lets his wife's pet dog sleep with him in order to keep her from sueing for divorce. Since he is content to lead a dog's life his wife must have all the property in her name.

If the President's advice is followed and the United States leases its coal mines, minearl properties, water-powers and the like, Secretary Ballinger will do the leasing. He has not resigned yet.

A North Carolinian who boasts of owning a pair of Kentucky mules or a thoroughbred Kentucky horse, would have more to boast about if he would raise the mules and the horse in North Carolina.

CURRENT COMMENT.

With fifty special tax districts Robeson county shows that it is well worth "holding."—Charlotte Observer.

A lower rate for an upper berth is all right, if we do not have to face an upper rate for a lower berth.—Norfolk Landmark.

It has been rather an able-bodied Winter thus far, even as the sign men predicted. But since these prophets make the same predictions every Fall, thy are bound, to be vindicated occasionally.—Charlotte Observer.

Columbus and Brunswick counties are furnishing the revenue officers plenty of work just now, Christmas spirit apparently having taken harder in that quarter than anywhere else in the State.—Charlotte Observer.

It is now claimed that Jerry Moore, who made 228 bushels of corn to the acre in Florence county, South Carolina, this year, used North Carolina seed. Next thing, some Patriotic Order or other in the Old North State, Heavens blessings attend her! will be putting up a tablet to Jerry as a native of that State.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the Original Discoverer of the North Pole, will arrive in New York on Thusday by the steamship "George Washington." In view of the incident associated with the cherry tree in our most sacred history, the dramatic sense of the Great Discoverer in the selection of his conveyance will be noted at once and without further commentation.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Congress cannot consider seriously the resolution proposing to overhaul the traveling expense account of Theodore Roosevelt as President of the United States. Doubtless the resolution was offered as a jest, but it is in very bad taste, and should be speedily withdrawn. No one questions the honesty of Theodore Roosevelt. He may be quick to act and impetuous in speech, and he makes mistakes, like other people, but his integrity is unassailable. If the resolution in question were seriously intended to pave the way to a scrutiny of Col. Roosevelt's accounts, it could have no other purpose than to challenge his honesty and discredit him in a matter of personal honor. Congress could not for a moment place itself in the position of approving such a gratuitous insult to Col Roosevelt.—Washington Post.

A correspondent of The Times-Dispatch suggests that the business men of Richmond use the little Red Cross stamp on each letter sent out by them on Christmas Eve. She makes this further suggestion: "Snould they also use them (Red Cross stamps) on the last day of the year—that day of dividends and bills—what a step would be made forward by this State!" Then our correspondent puts th case in this way: "Turkey has Cholera; why do the young Turks not wipe it out? America has the White Plague; why do the American business men not stamp it out with the little Red Cross stamps? Only two days' use in a year, yet with what effect." The little Red Cross stamps cost very little, but every little helps in the greatest effort that has ever been made for the rescue of the human race from its most insidious and destructive enemy. It is hoped that every merchant and business man in Richmond will put a little Red Cross stamp on every letter mailed by him every day this week and next week and every man, woman and child in the town also so that the work of driving out the White Plague may be advanced for the good of humanity and to the glory og God.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

It is becoming quite the custom to build good roads in one day. Coffeyville, Kansas, is the latest town to engage in this rapid thoroughfare construction work. On November 30th 1,500 men, with teams and road-making machinery, built a modern wagon highway between Coffeyville and Independence, twenty miles distant. This was done between the hours of 6 in the morning and sundown. With the exception of oiling, the road is finished. When the Montgomery County Good Roads Association was organized a month ago by landowners and business men of Coffeyville, it was declared that a thoroughfare should be built to connect the adjoining towns. Landowners and motorists contributed liberally to the work. To supervise the building of the roads district superintendents were appointed. The preliminary work was complete before the start was made Stone and concrete culverts, with clay pipe drains had been put in. The plan is to improve every main road in the county. The road lately completed will be dragged during the Winter. It will be oiled in the Spring. Oil companies of the section have made a donation of the crude petroleum.

This was fast work, but it has proved a very popular plan of building roads in one day.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

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ALLEGED "TIGER" TRIED

Judgment in Case Against Thomas Costin, White, Reserved Until Today—Evidence Contradictory—Other Cases.

Yesterday's session of the Recorder's court was featured by the trial of Thomas Costin, a white man, who conducts a business at Fourth and Davis streets, on the charge of selling whiskey to a negro named John H. Hooper last Sunday evening, but judgement was reserved until this morning. Costin did not enter the court room until after he had been called out and then was so talkative that the Recorder fined him $10 for contempt of court.

Patrolmen Leon George and J. J. Moore were the witnesses against the defendant, testifying that last Sunday evening they saw Costin sell to Hooper a half pint of whiskey for which the former received a piece of money, appearing to be 25 cents. Their observations were made from the street through a lattice door to the building occupied by Costin.

Hooper testified that he was in Costin's place Sunday night, but that he did not buy any whiskey. Lot King, colored, testified that he was also in Costin's place and that he was given a drink of whiskey by three white men. The witness did not see anyone buy any whiskey. The three white men referred to by the witness were also placed on the stand by the defense and they testified that they were in Costin's place for a barbecue supper; that Costin gave them a bottle of whiskey and that they gave to King what was left in the bottle when they had finished. They said that they were in the place while Hooper was there and that he did not buy any whiskey as alleged by the officers. They were certain that the time of the alleged sale was while they were in the place because Officers George came in before they left.

Officer George in his testimony said that the whiskey sold to Hooper was taken from a barrel by Costin and when he (the officer) entered the place a few minutes later he noticed the barrel about two-thirds full of packages which looked as if they contained bottles of whiskey.

After hearing the evidence the Recorder announced that he would reserve his decision until today. County Attorney Marsden Bellamy appeared for the prosecution, while Walter P. Gafford, Esq., represented the defendant.

Andrew Williams, colored, was arraigned on two charges—drunkenness and reckless driving. He was driver of a baggage wagon for the Orrell Livery Co., and it was alleged that he ran the vehicle into the buggy of L. Clayton Grant, Esq., on Market between Fifth and Sixth streets, Wednesday night about 10:30 o'clock. In the buggy at the time were Mr. and Mrs. Grant and their little child and it is considered remarkable that they escaped injury. The buggy was damaged by the contact. The defendant was found guilty in both cases and sentenced to 30 days on the county roads in each. Marsden Bellamy, Esq., appeared for the prosecution.

Thomas Bell and Ben Williams, colored, who engaged in a lively fight on 11th, between Market and Princess streets, Wednesday night, during which Williams received an ugly wound in the head, were found guilty of an affray and fined $10 each and costs.

N. V. Grimsley, a young white man, was tried on the charge of disorderly conduct and carrying concealed weapon, to wit, a razor. The evidence was to the effect that he was disorderly in front of Bright's cigar store, on Princess street, Wednesday night, and was placed under arrest by an officer who happened to pass there at the time. When searched at police headquarters an old razor was found on Grimsley's person. Grimsley explained in court yesterday morning that the razor was in his pocket as the result of mistake; that he had two razors at home, one he used for shaving and the other for trimming his nails and for cutting out corns; that the shaving razor was dull and he decided to bring it down town to have it sharpened; that he picked up the old razor and did not discover his mistake until he got to the barber shop; that he had the old razor in his pocket to exchange it for the other when he got home. Judgment in this case was suspended upon payment of costs, and for disorderly conduct he paid $5 and costs.

CITY BARACA UNION.

Semi-Annual Meeting and Election of Officers for the Term.

The semi-annual meeting of the City Baraca Union was held in the lecture room of Brooklyn Baptist Church Tuesday night with a large and representative attendance. Reports for the six months were received and plans for the Union for the ensuing six months were discussed. The following officers were elected for the term: President, Mr. E. B. Johnson, of Grace Methodist Church; first vice president, Mr. Frank Garrison, of Brooklyn Baptist Church; second vice president, Mr. W. B. Mitchell, of First Baptist Church; secretary, Mr. O. L. Freeman, of Grace Methodist Church; assistant secretary, Mr. L. G. Bass, of Southside Baptist Church; treasurer, Mr. C. B. Newcome, of First Baptist Church; press reporter, Mr. L. Larkins, of Brooklyn Baptist Church. Executive Committee, Messrs. Lewis Williams, Grace Church; C. P. Scott, First Baptist Church; A. G. Wilder, Brooklyn Baptist Church.

Wants to Help Some One.

For thirty years J. F. Boyer, of Fertile, Mo., needed help and couldn't find it. That's why he wants to help some one now. Suffering so long himself he feels for all distress from backache, nervousness, loss of appetite, lassitude and kidney disorders. He shows that Electric Bitters work wonders for such troubles. "Five bottles," he writes, "wholly cured me and now I am well and hearty." It's also positively guaranteed for liver trouble. Dyspepsia, blood disorders, female complaints and malaria. Try them. 50c at Robt. R. Bellamy's.

Onyx black silk Hose for Christmas presents at C. H. Fore & Co. **

SCHOOLS CLOSE FOR TERM

North Carolina Day Exercises Held in Graded Schools Yesterday—Rural Schools and Some Private Schools Close.

The shopping district of the city will very likely be crowded with school children from the city and county schools today, as all the institutions closed yesterday for the holidays and this will be the first opportunity the boys and girls have had to inspect the many Christmas articles of display in a care-free manner.

They are in position now to let their thoughts, fancies and actions run riot for the institutions of learning have no claim on them until the morning of January 3rd, when the schools open for the Spring term. In the city schools North Carolina Day exercises were observed yesterday and in some of the rural schools appropriate exercises were held. Today is the time designated by the State Superintendent of Education for the observance of North Carolina Day, but few of the schools in this city will hold the exercises at the time fixed. Those schools which did not hold exercises yesterday will observe the day after the beginning of the Spring term with the exception of Delgado School, which will render an attractive programme this morning. The Fall term has been very successful both in the city and county schools. The attendance has been large and the work of the pupils very satisfactory indeed.

A good many of the city school teachers will spend their vacation period at their homes at other points. Mr. John J. Blair, city superintendent, will spend the season with relatives in High Point; Prof. O. H. Hamilton, principal of Hemenway, left yesterday for his home in Monroe, N. C.; and the following are the other members of the High school faculty who will spend their vacation elsewhere: Prof. J. H. Boushell, who leaves tonight for Raleigh; Miss Gulley, who goes to Wake Forest; Miss Jenkins, who goes to Raleigh; Miss Bolles, who goes to her home in Tennessee; Miss Atkinson, who left yesterday for Columbia, S. C., to visit her brother; Miss Jackson, who goes to Farmville, Va.; Prof. Heman Shaw, principal of the High School, will spend his vacation in Wilmington and will occupy much of his time in getting the High School annex in readiness for occupancy when the Spring term begins. The formal and public opening of the building will not occur for some two weeks or more, when an elaborate programme will be rendered and the public generally invited to attend.

The teachers in the grammar schools who live in other towns and cities will spend the holidays at their homes and some of those residing in Wilmington will spend the season with friends and relatives elsewhere.

The rural public schools als closed yesterday afternoon for the holidays and will re-open Tuesday, January 3rd. North Carolina Day exercises were held in some of the schools, but in most of them the exercises were postponed until after the holidays. The school at Delgado, Miss Florence Grant and Miss Irene Boyette, teachers, will have exercises this morning from 10 to 12 o'clock and in connection there will be a Christmas tree. Prof. Washington Catlett, county superintendent of public instruction, will be among those in attendance. The rural schools have had a very successful term and interest in education in the county seems to be ever on the increase. Great progress is being made on the new school house at Greenville station and it is expected that it will be ready for occupancy by the opening of the Spring term.

Many of the private schools also closed yesterday, among them being Cape Fear Academy, of which Prof. Washington Catlett is the principal. The term has been a very good one for the old and well known institution, the enrollment large and the work of the pupils exceptionally good. The pupils remembered their beloved principal yesterday with a handsome chafing dish, which was feelingly accepted. The institution will re open January 3rd for the Spring term.

A BIG CARGO FOR HAVRE.

Steamer St. Jerome Carries Largest This Season for France.

With the largest cargo of cotton this season from Wilmington for France and probably the largest ever sent from here to that port, the British steamer St. Jerome, Capt. Hallam, cleared yesterday. The steamer carries 12,725 bales, valued at $1,015,000. On account of an accident on the steamer which resulted in the death of one of the stevedores libel proceedings were instituted against the vessel and $10,000 bond was required before she could sail. The matter had to be arranged with the owners and caused a delay of about a day. The vessel and cargo are by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Continued Until Next Week.

When the cases against Sam Peoples, colored, charged with assault with deadly weapon on Frank Scott, colored, at Acorn Branch, last Monday night, and the larceny of holly, were called in Justice Harriss' court yesterday at noon, a request was made for a continuance until Wednesday of next week, on account of the absence of material witnesses. The request was granted. L. Clayton Grant, Esq., will represent the prosecution, and Hon. John D. Bellamy will appear for the defendant, who is on bond for his appearance at trial.

Murchison Quarterly Dividend.

Notice is given that the directors of the Murchison National Bank have declared a quarterly dividend of two per cent., free of all tax, payable January 10th, to stockholders of record January 1st.

Banks on Sure Thing Now.

"I'll never be without Dr. King's New Life Pills again," writes A. Schingeck, 647 Elm street, Buffalo, N. Y. "They cured me of chronic constipation when all others failed." Unequaled for biliousness, jaundice, indigestion, headache, chills, malaria and debility. 25c at Robt. R. Bellamy's.

Large assortment of fireworks will be found at Polvogt's toy store. de 23-2t.

INSPECTIONS OF SALOONS

Acting Under Orders of the Mayor Officers Visit Most of Near-Beer Places—Contemplated Visit Noised Abroad.

Acting under the orders of Mayor Walter G. MacRae, Chief of Police N. J. Williams last night at 7:50 o'clock directed Sergeant C. E. Wood and Acting Sergeant W. C. Moore to make an inspection of all the near-beer saloons in the city, the former being given a list of all the licensed places north of Princess street and the latter all places south of Princess street.

The chief asked that the officers take an inventory of all the near-beer, real beer and whiskey found on the premises of those whose places were inspected. The officers began their inspection at 8 o'clock and as was to be expected about all they found was near-beer. Perhaps in a few places they found some whiskey. The fact that there was to be "something doing" in regard to the "blind tigers" last night was noised abroad early in the evening. A Star representative met a man alighting from a belt car at Front and Princess streets at 8 o'clock last night and he stated that he had heard from a person on the street car that there was to be an inspection of the near-beer saloons last night. The man who first gave the information was a prohibitionist and he was probably on to the fact that an effort would be made to ascertain the amount of whiskey shipped in here for the holiday trade.

Chief of Police Williams stated last night that it invariably happened that when an inspection of near-beer saloons took place that the telephone was kept busy by the near-beer dealers. After the officers have made an inspection of the first place visited by them the telephone is brought into operation by the near-beer dealer and the word passed around to all the other places, said the chief, who added, that under such circumstances an inspection did but little good, as he saw it, as any whiskey that might have been had on hand would be concealed or removed. However, the Mayor had directed the inspection and he had complied with the instruction by furnishing a list of all the licensed places he knew of and instructed his men to make a personal visit to each place, take an inventory of everything found in the places in the form of near-beer, real beer or whiskey.

Sergeant Wood and Acting Sergeant Moore had to hustle to visit all the places before the closing hour at 9 o'clock and even then the establishments in the outskirts of the city and one on the wharf were not reached before the closing hour. While the result of the inspection was not given out by the officers, the chief taking the position that the report should first go to the Mayor, it was stated that a remarkably small quantity of anything other than "near-beer" was found in any of the establishments. In only a few places was any whiskey found and in very small quantities at those places.

THE CROWE OPTICAL COMPANY.

Offices Have Been Opened in Southern Building—Plant.

Dr. J. J. Crowe, president of the Crowe Optical Company, which will shortly begin the operation of a large plant in this city, returned yesterday from a visit to New York City, where he went to ascertain the progress being made in the manufacture of surface machines to be used in the factory in this city. Dr. Crowe stated that the company has secured a suite of three rooms on the fifth floor of the Southern building, corner Front and Chesnut streets, and would be open to receive orders after the first of January. Credit has been established with the Southern National Bank, of this city. Dr. Crowe stated that three sites for the manufacturing plant were under consideration and a selection would be made shortly after the holidays by the board of directors. Owing to the fact that it will be several months before the machinery can be delivered the officers of the company are not in any big hurry about deciding upon a site. Dr. Crowe will leave next week for another visit North for the purpose of visiting the frame manufacturing plant of Standard and American Company. Several North Carolinians who have been connected with the optical business will be traveling salesmen for the company. During Dr. Crowe's absence next week the office will be in charge of the stenographer and other employes of the company.

Ends Winter's Troubles.

To many, Winter is a season of trouble. The frost bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold sores, red and rough skins prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of burns, boils, piles, cuts, sores, eczema and sprains. Only 25c at Robt. R. Bellamy's

CONTRACT FOR STREET WORK

Bowe & Page, of Charleston, S. C., Lowest Bidders for Work in Southern Section of City—Contract Awarded.

The Board of Aldermen in special session at noon yesterday awarded to Bowe & Page, of Charleston, S. C., the contract for street improvements in the southern section of the city, as recently authorized by the Board of Aldermen and Board of Audit and Finance, their bid being the lowest of the several received. The work will be commenced within the next few days and is to be completed within 60 days.

Present when the bids were opened were: Mayor Walter G. MacRae, Chairman Bonitz and Alderman Ellis, of the Streets and Wharves Committee; Aldermen Fales and West, City Engineer Humphreys and the several bidders. The proposals call for the paving of Front street from Dawson to Wright, Wright street from Third to Sixth, and Sixth street from Wright to Dawson streets, it being estimated that approximately 4,263 square yards of pavement will be required for the work proposed. Bids were invited for both macadam and cement gravel pavement, and the bids were received as follows: J. M. Woolard, 89 cents a square yard, macadam pavement; P. Q. Moore, $1.10 a square for the same kind of pavement, and Bowe & Page, of Charleston, S. C., 87 1-2 cents for macadam and 69 1-2 cents for cement gravel.

The appropriation for this work is only $2,500 and will not cover the entire amount of work proposed, even at the bid submitted for gravel pavement, so it was decided by the streets and wharves committee to recommend that Bowe & Page be awarded the contract for paving 3,570 yards with cement gravel, it having been stated in the specifications that the city would have the right to increase or reduce the amount 25 per cent., as it might see fit. Aldermen Willard and Yopp were called over the telephone and responded, making a quorum of the Aldermen, so that the matter could be finally disposed of without the loss of valuable time. Upon motion of Alderman Willard, seconded by Alderman Fales, the recommendation of the committee was accepted, the contract being awarded to Bowe & Page. Later an additional appropriation of about $450 will probably be asked to complete the work proposed. The work will very likely begin at an early date at Third and Wright streets, and will be carried as far as the appropriation will admit. The meeting then adjourned.

BOTTLING WORKS BURNED.

Coco-Cola Plant at Newbern Destroyed—Characteristic Enterprise.

Mr. George H. Hutaff, of this city, returned last night from Newbern where he has been for several days adjusting matters in connection with the destruction of the plant of the Coco-Cola Bottling Works, of that city, of which he is president and Mr. C. A. Seifert, of Newbern, is superintendent. The plant was destroyed early Sunday morning by a fire which originated next door, the total loss being $2,500 upon which Mr. Hutaff carried only $1,500 insurance. Fortunately the horse and one of the wagons used in the delivery service were saved, as were also the books and records. Mr. Seifert having been slightly burned in getting the latter out of the building. Mr. Hutaff was advised by long distance telephone of his loss and with their characteristic enterprise, he and his brother, Mr. W. H. Hutaff, at once set about to keep the business going in spite of the entire destruction of the works. Machinery from the Wilmington and other plants owned by Mr. Hutaff in Eastern Carolina was hurried to Newbern by express early Monday morning and while the people of Newbern were reading the account of the fire in the morning paper, the city deliveries were going on all over town as usual. Such enterprise is deserving of the highest success and this has been one of the elements that has contributed in large measure to the handling of the immense business carried on by Mr. Hutaff and associates in this section of the State.

Contract for Fender Piers.

Capt. Earl I. Brown United States Engineer in charge of this district, Wednesday let the contract to Blalock & Hartsfield, of Newbern, for the construction of fender piers for the bridge over the inland waterway at Core Creek, the amount of the bid being $3,199, the lowest of the several submitted. The other bids were: Geo. H. Crafts Dublin, Ga., $3,956; Shull Construction Co., Beaufort, N. C., $3,500; F. W. Schwiers, Jr., Co., New York City, $4,252.50; Wm. H. Shelton, Dunkirk, N. Y., $4,363.70.

Toys and fireworks at Polvogt's annex. de 23-2t.

New Gold Coins for Xmas

In accordance with our custom for the past ten years, we have received direct from the Philadelphia mint a full supply of brand new gold coins for the needs of our friends and patrons desiring to use them for Xmas remembrances. Denominations of $2.50, $5.00 and $10.00 on hand. We shsll take pleasure in supplying your needs.

Pass books in attractive holiday envelopes issued upon request.

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WILL REMODEL BUILDING.

Extensive Improvements to be Made on Old Morning Star Building.

Mr. M. L. Starkey, owner of the building on the north side of Princess between Water and Front streets, formerly occupied by The Morning Star, which he recently purchased from Maj. Wm. H. Bernard, has accepted plans drawn by Architect H. E. Bonitz for remodeling the structure and has let the contract for the work to Contractor Rose, of Goldsboro, who is to complete the improvements on or before May 1st, 1911, at a cost, it is stated, of more than $10,000.

According to the plans the front will be of pressed brick, with stucco finish and stone trimmings. Two store rooms will be provided on the first floor, the two being separated by a wide stair way leading to the second and third floors. There will also be a stairway in the rear. Plate glass windows will be put in the store rooms and at the top of these will be placed the latest prismatic forms of glass to aid the lighting facilities. Living apartments will be provided on the second and third floors, four on each floor, of from one to four rooms each. The interior will be handsomely finished and equipped with every modern convenience the building, which is to be known as "The Starkey Block," will be modern in every respect and will be a decided addition to the section of the city in which it is located.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.
Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding, or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

C. H. Fore & Co., are showing a beautiful selection of fans. **

Send the boys to Polvogt's for fireworks. de 23-2t.

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Nothing better to give the boy or girl than one of our Savings Bank Books with $1.00 or more to his or her credit.

We always have on hand plenty of gold in all denominations. Make use of our service.

THE PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK

That Big White Building
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—By deed filed for record yesterday John J. Furlong, commissioner, transfers to Edward Bunting and wife, for $2,000, two tracts of land in Masonboro township, one containing 18 acres and adjoining lands of Lewis M. Hewlett, and the other containing 18 1-2 acres and adjoining lands of John Hewlett.

Onyx silk hose, a very popular Christmas gift sold by C. H. Fore & Co. **

Basketball Games Tonight.

In the gymnasium of the Boys' Brigade tonight will be played the eighth of the series of basketball games for the distinction of having the names of those composing the winning team engraved on a handsome silver cup given by Mr. George Honnet. The Lions will contest with the Kangaroos and the Stags will play the Seminoles. The first game will be called at 8:15 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Christmas Land

AT POLVOGT'S

Department Store and Annex

THE WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS SHOW IS NOW READY!

FINER THAN EVER, OF COURSE, WOULD'N T THINK WE WERE KEEPING GOOD STORE IF THAT WASN'T TRUE, AND WHAT A GLORIOUS SHOW OF ATTRACTIVE CHRISTMAS BEAUTY IT IS. ABOUT EVERYTHING REALLY WORTHY IN HOLIDAY WARES FROM THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE WORLD IS HERE. ALL BUT—AND THIS IS TREMENDOUSLY IMPORTANT—ALL BUT THE CHEAPLY MADE NOVELTIES AND THE FLIMSILY CONSTRUCTED THINGS CREATED ONLY FOR SHOW, NONE OF THOSE EXTRAVAGANT PURSE DRAWERS AT THIS STORE. JUST A GREAT BIG, ROYALLY GENEROUS GATHERING OF REALLY BEAUTIFUL, RARELY SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS GIFTS, THE ONLY SORTS FOR WISE FOLKS TO SELECT. AND THE PRICE STORY; IT'S PERSISTENTLY FAIR AND PERPETUALLY MODEST, WHEN TOLD OF MERCHANDISE THAT BEARS THE POLVOGT STAMP OF STERLING WORTH AND GOODNESS—DON'T FORGET THAT.

Christmas SPECIALS

From Santa Claus' Work Shop

Mechanical Toys, 50c, 75c and	$1.00
Tin Kitchens, 25c, 50c and	$1.00
Horse and Carts, 75c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Furniture Sets, 25c, 50c and	75c
Beds, 25c, 50c and	$1.00
Iron Stoves, 50c, 75c and	$1.00
Ten Pins, 50c and	$1.00
Pianos, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Horns and Trumpets, 5c, 25c and	50c
Nested Blocks, 10c, 25c and	50c
Air Rifles, 50c to	$2.75
Xmas Tree Candles, 10c and	15c
Rubber Balls, 10c, 25c and	50c
Trunks, 25c, 50c and	$1.00
Boats, 25c and	50c
Tea Sets, 25c, 50c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Slates, 10c, 15c and	25c

HANDKERCHIEFS for Presents

Largest and Most Complete Assortment Ever Shown in Wilmington.

Truly a dainty gift, one you may make as elaborate as your taste ditcates, or as simply severe, but, no matter whether you choose a plain handkerchief at a dime, or a real lace affair that costs several dollars, you cannot fail to obtain rich and generous return for your money.

Children's Handkerchiefs put up three to a box, colored borders	15c
Children's plain hemstitched Handkerchiefs, initial, three to a box. Christmas price, a box	19c
Ladies' checked lawn Handkerchiefs, embroidered corners, a 25c value. Christmas price, each 12 1-2c	
Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, three to a box, for Christmas gifts.	75c
Ladies' linen embroidered Handkerchiefs, six to a box for Christmas gifts, a box	$1.25
Ladies' all linen embroidered Handkerchiefs, each 50c, 75c, $1.00 and	$1.50
Gents' Handkerchiefs, initial, all linen, six to a box. Christmas price, a box	$1.50
Gents' cotton hemstitched Handkerchiefs each 5c and	10c
Gents' plain all linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched, use as Christmas gift, each 15c and	25c

Umbrellas for Holiday Gifts!

Some umbrellas shed the rain alright, but they are so poorly made that the first wetting rots the fabric and rusts the frame. These are the other kind, the fabric wears and the metal parts will not rust. Fine handles, fair prices.

The Best Umbrella in the World for $1.00

Made of superior taffeta on strong lock paragon frames with case and tassel. There is a great variety of pretty handles. They are in sizes for men, women and children.

Men's and Women's Umbrellas at $1.25, $1.98 and $2.49.

Made of fine union taffeta silk with tape edge; paragon frame and steel rods, ca-
A wonderful diversity of pretty handles.

Fine Silk Umbrellas at $2.50, $2.75 and $3.50.

Made of excellent quality pure silk and union taffeta silk with tape edge, lock paragon frames, steel rods and case and tassel. Many handsome handles.

Finest Pure Silk Umbrellas at $3.95, $5.00, $5.50 and $6.50.

Finest quality tape edge ;lock paragon frame with strong steel rods and case and tassel. Very beautiful handles for men and women.

HOSE.

Hose bought for gifts that do not prove to be the proper size will be exchanged after the holiday, this makes it safe to choose them here where qualities are the most dependable and prices always persistently modest.

Ladies' gauze Lisle, silk finish, per pair	25c
Ladies' extra fine Lisle thread Hose, put up three to the box for	$1.00
Ladies' cotton Hose, warranted to wear, extra heavy	25c
Ladies' Silk Hose, black and all shades, $1.25 and	$1.75
Children's fine ribbed Hose, all sizes, 25c values, per pair	16 2-3c
Children's extra fine quality lisle Hose, all sizes, per pair	25c
Boys' extra heavy school Hose, warranted to wear, fast black	25c
Ladies' Lisle thread and open work hose, extra high grade, per pair	50c

All Leather Suit Case, 24-inch, a $6.50 value, special	$5.00
Ladies' Hand Bag, brass framed, made of alligator skin, special	$3.50
Ladies' Shopping Bags, black and brown leather, $1.00, $1.50, $2.50 and	$3.50
Gents' and Ladies' Traveling Bags, solid leather, kid lined, 12 to 18 inch, $3.50 to	$6.00
Bellows Suit Case, all leather, very handsome, 24 and 26 inch, $10.00 and	$12.50
Fine Leather Hand Purses for ladies, each	$1.75

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, etc

Mr. David B. Archbell, of Rockingham, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Rivenbark and Mrs. A. E. Burton, of Burgaw, were in the city yesterday.

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Mrs. D. W. Mason and daughter, little Miss Vivian, of Waycross, Ga., are guests of relatives and friends in this city.

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Mr. W. W. Blair and son, Merrill Blair, are guests at the home of Mrs. H. W. Angel, on Chesnut street, for the holidays.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Springer returned yesterday morning from Philadelphia and Clifton Springs, and are stopping for the present with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Springer, No. 605 Dock street.

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Mr. Ernest S. Bulluck, a student at the University of Maryland, arrived home yesterday to spend the holidays with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. D. W. Bulluck.

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Mr. Ashley T. St. Amand and mother, Mrs. Isabelle T. St. Amand, left last night for Charleston, S. C., to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

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Fifteen couples attended the "moonlight" dance given by Mr. John F. Kneisel in the Masonic Temple last night and the event was greatly enjoyed by all.

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Many friends of Mr. Oliver T. Wallace are delighted to see him in the city for the holidays. He is engaged in the real estate business and is succeeding in his recently adopted home.

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The ladies of the Home Mission Society of Grace Methodist Church will be in the church parlors this morning from 10 to 12 o'clock for the purpose of receiving contributions for the poor.

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Miss Meta Rountree, who has been attending Miss Kate Shipp's School for Young Ladies at Lincolnton, N. C., arrived on the late Seaboard train last night to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rountree, at Carolina Heights.

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Miss Adeline Keith, who has been quite ill for several weeks on account of severe burns as the result of an accident at Meredith College, is rapidly recovering and the trained nurse, Miss Hayes, returned to her home in Raleigh yesterday.

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Mrs. Chas. E. Borden, of Richmond, Va., has arrived to spend the holidays with her father, Col. John D. Taylor and other members of the family in Wilmington. Mr. Borden will join Mrs. Borden here tomorrow for the Christmas holidays, and both will be most pleasantly received by a host of friends in Wilmington.

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Mr. James S. Hooper, deputy grand regent of the Royal Arcanum in North Carolina, who has been spending some time at Hickory, and who has had splendid success there, has gone to High Point, N. C., where he will spend the Christmas holidays. The Grand Council of the R. A. will meet at Hickory next April.

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Following the concert at the Academy of Music tonight by the Princeton Glee Club, Mr. and Mrs. G. Herbert Smith will give a delightful dance in the Masonic Temple in honor of their daughter, Miss Mildred Smith, one of this season's charming debutantes. A large number of invitations have been issued and the affair will be one of the social events of the season.

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The North Wilmington Public School will give an entertainment tonight commencing at 7:30 o'clock. The pupils, assisted by some of the young people of the neighborhood, will present several dialogues, tableaux, etc., closing with a Christmas tree, which will be laden with pretty gifts for the children. The public is cordially invited and is assured a most pleasant evening.

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Invitations have been issued for a dance which will be given by the Sigma Nu Fraternity Thursday night, December 29th, in the Masonic Temple. This will be the third dance given by the fraternity and will be participated in not only by the members of this fraternity, but by representatives of other fraternities in the city, who have been extended invitations. The dance will be one of the events of the holidays.

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A pretty little story of romance is going the rounds of the Princeton Glee Club, which organization gives a concert at the Academy of Music Friday night. It is to the effect that one of the boys on the club slipped away from the campus during the early part of this month and married. He is said to have gone home one Friday and to have returned the following Sunday, single before he went and happily wedded afterward. Now he goes home often, and his friends say that this is the reason. When asked about the affair he simply smiles and says nothing. Another one of the fellows became engaged in a Southern city, and is due to marry soon after receiving his diploma. The names of the two are not given for obvious reasons, but here's a hint—the former sits on the end in the banjo club and the latter's position is exactly in the center of the Glee Club's back row.

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Wadesboro, Dec. 22.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. McKeithan was the scene of a quiet wedding Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Miss Daisy McKeithan was united in marriage to Mr. John T. McLauchlin of Atlanta, Ga. Rev. R. M. Mann, pastor of the Wadesboro Presbyterian church, officiating. The bride was attired in Navy blue coat suit with gloves and hat to match and carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses and maiden hair ferns. The dame of honor, Mrs. W. C. Via, wore a white lingerie costume and carried white carnations. Mrs. Samuel Houston rendered the wedding march. The groom was accompanied by his brother, Mr. Wilfred McLauchlin, the best man. The parlor was decorated in the bridal colors of white and green. Only the immediate friends and relatives of the bridal party were present. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. McLauchlin left for a short southern trip and will be at home in Atlanta, Ga., early in the new year. Mrs. McLauchlin has lived in Wadesboro all her life and is much admired for her character and culture. For several years she has been a teacher in the Wadesboro Graded School and her departure is a matter of much regret to her many friends.

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Wadesboro, Dec. 22.—One of the most delightful social functions of the season was a birthday party given at the residence of Judge and Mrs. Risden Tyler Bennett Tuesday afternoon of this week. It was the occasion of the 75th birthday anniversary of Mrs. Bennett and the reception idea originated with her daughters, Mesdames John T. Bennett, John D. Leak and Eugene Little. The spacious double parlors were festooned with holly and Christmas decorations abounded everywhere. Pink candles were used to light the rooms and more than 200 guests enjoyed the hospitality of the occasion. Miss Johnsie Dunlap and Mrs. John T. Bennett met the arriving guests at the door with a hearty welcome. In the reception hall Misses Fannie Bennett and Rosa Moore with Mrs. J. D. Horne assisted the hostess. In the receiving line in the parlor were Mesdames Eugenia Hill, T. B. Wyatt, C. F. Howze, Mary N. Ashe and Mr. W. C. Bennett, Sr., with Mrs. R. T. Bennett. The guests were invited to the dining room tastefully decorated with holiday green and served a dainty three-course luncheon. Mesdames J. A. Hardison, H. C. Parsons, and John D. Leak with Misses Shepherd Leak, Mary Cliff Bennett and Kate Leak were in charge of the dining room. It was a delightful occasion and the many guests were happy to be able to express congratulations to Mrs. Bennett with best wishes for still more years of joy and cheer.

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CONCERT TONIGHT BY PRINCETON GLEE CLUB.

The Princeton Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs will give one of their enjoyable concerts in the Academy of Music tonight and the event is one of more than ordinary interest socially as well as musically. The indications point to a crowded house. The clubs gave a concert here four years ago and Wilmingtonians have not forgotten the charming and delightful entertainment and welcome the return of the young men. The club has been considerably strengthened since that time and the concert tonight is expected to surpass the one given at that time. The programme was announced in this city yesterday, and is as follows:

PART I.

Orpheus Overture ..... Offenbach
Mandolin Club.
Campus Song ..... Burnham
Glee Club.
The Smiler ..... Van Alstyne
Banjo Club.
Southern Lullaby ..... Noll
Messrs. Frederick, Baker, Rose, Magill, Hodgson, Rish, Johnson and Getty.
Popular Pot-Pourri ..... Selected
Mandolin Club.
College Medley ..... Norworth
Mr. Jack Drummond assisted by Mr. E. Gray.

PART II.

Winter Song ..... Bullard
Glee Club.
Indian Summer ..... Moret
Banjo Club.
De Coppah Moon ..... Shelley
Messrs. Frederick, Rose, Rankin and Getty.
Rag Trio ..... Selected
Messrs. Gray, Rankin and Castle.
Visions of Salome ..... Joyce
Old Nassau ..... Langlotz
Chorus.

The following is the personnel of the clubs: Banjo—W. H. Gillen, 1911, New York City; C. W. Handy, 1911, New York City; S. Matthews, 1913, Cincinnati; E. Gray (leader) 1911, Newark, N. J.; T. H. McCauley, 1912, Canandaigua, N. Y.; R. J. Riker, 1913, Orange, N. J.; W. S. Cooper, 1912, Newark, N. J.

Glee Club—L. M. Bament, 1911, East Orange, N. J.; H. A. Frederick, post graduate, Oberlin, Ohio; W. F. Rich, 1912, Fort Dodge, Ia.; J. J. Rice, 1913, Harrisburg, Pa.; L. A. Baker, 1913, Washington, D. C.; J. F. Carruthers, 1912, Carlisle Pa., J. W. Fowler, 1913, Hackettstown, N. J.; U. M. Davies, 1912, Oshkosh, Wis; W. H. Magill, 1913, Fargo, N. D.; J. M. Rose, 1912, Mercersburg, Pa.; G. Sloans, 1912, East Orange, N. J.; J. H. Drummond, 1911, New York City; M. S. Hodgson, 1911, Atlanta, Ga.; M. E. Rankin 1911, South Charleston, Ohio; D. M. Roy, 1913, Brooklyn, N. Y.; L. Skidmre, 1911, Highlands, N. J.; S. D. Gamble, 1912, Cincinnati; D. Horton 1912, Brooklyn, N. Y.; C. W. Johnson, 1913, Chicago; L. R. Page, 1912, Philadelphia; L. T. Gett, 1911, (leader) New York City; Edward Castle, 1911, East Orange, N. J.

Mandolin—I. F. Bennett, (leader), 1911, Chicago; P. S. Lewis, 1911, Springfield, Ill.; H. M. Dyckman, 1912, Orange, N. J.; S. W. Morris, 1913, St. Louis; W. H. Dickey, 1912, Cleveland; J. C. Martin, 1912, Plainfield, N. J.; R. W. Cockingham, 1911, Portland, Ore.; J. C. Kennedy, 1911, Brooklyn, N. Y.; J. O. Whitely, 1911, York, Pa.; W. D. Bickham, 1913, Dayton, O.; L. Richards, 1913, New York; J. E. Stinson Mt. Airy, Pa.; H. Flammer, 1911, New York City; W. M. Chester, 1913, New York City; W. Wolf, 1914, New York City; D. R. Gile, 1912, Colorado Springs, Colo.;

Managers—George R. Conner, 1911, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; R. G. Bosworth, 1912, Denver, Colo.; Press Agent—George M. Battey, sp., Atlanta, Ga.

Turkeys Distributed Yesterday.

In accordance with the council's long established custom, Messrs. Walter E. Yopp and E. C. Woodbury acting as a committee from Jeff Davis Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., yesterday afternoon distributed to the eight widows of the deceased members of the council large Christmas turkeys. The fowls were most graciously received and the thanks of the recipients were tendered to the thoughtful council through the committee. George Washington Council will also distribute turkeys to the widows of deceased members of that council.

Theatrical

Next week popular prices will prevail at the Academy of Music, which will make a merry offering for the holiday week. The Four Pickerts, an organization exceedingly well known in this city and which has always done big business, will be the attraction. The company will make a most auspicious opening, as the day to be celebrated for Christmas will come on Monday; hence, the opening will virtually be Christmas day. Two performances will be presented Monday, afternoon and night, and "standing room only" business is expected. The Four Pickerts usually do such business regardless of a holiday, so it is safe to predict that such will occur this time on account of the festive day. For the matinee bill a play has been selected that will especially please the young folks, though it will also appeal strongly to grown ups. It will be the well known comedy, "Out on a Lark." This merry dramatic creation has made thousands in the larger cities laugh, and is a play on which the Pickerts are paying quite a tidy sum as royalty. Between acts clever vaudeville numbers will be introduced, the Pickerts themselves presenting one of their latest novelty acts.

At night the bill will be "His Majesty and the Maid," a modern success of powerful nature. A big vaudeville programme will be offered in connection with this play.

The prices for the matinee will be 10 and 20 cents, and for night, 10, 20 and 30 cents. Seats for Monday night will go on sale at Plummer's tomorrow morning.

At the Bijou Today.

"Mystery of Lonely Gulch" and "His Breach of Discipline" are the titles of the pictures which will be shown at the Bijou today. The former is a Western drama and is a picture that will prove intensely interesting, while in the latter there is a blend of Western and French romance which gives the picture a peculiar charm.

The Crystal Palace.

Those listed to appear tonight in the amateur performances are Miss Agnes Cordray, Messrs. "Pat" Gerken, Eddie Brewer, Frank W. Galloway, "Happy" Lane and Slick Thorpe. Last week the amateurs played to large and enthusiastic audiences. Several of those on tonight have taken prizes at previous performances, but are now playing new acts. The regular performance consists of a splendid musical act, "The Musical Brams," and "Recess at the Old Red School," by the Smith Players. This latter is the last of three acts produced by them this week, and promises to be very entertaining. The musical numbers to be played during the moving pictures are a "Hungarian Fantasia," (violin solo by Mr. Kneisel) and Bartlett's "Dream," (cornet solo by Mr. LaMarre). Doors open at 8 P. M. Regular matinees at 3:30 and 4:30.

Joyland.

The feature film for today will be Eugenie Grandet, a picture that is instructive and interesting to both young and old. The next will be a big comic "The Visit of the Mermaid," that is above the average comedy offering. Programme changes daily.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Mr. J. T. Burke has been advised of the death of his grandmother, Mrs. Winnie Smith, who passed away at her home near Goldsboro at the age of 99 years.

—A marriage license was issued yesterday to Mr. Wilson S. Canady, aged 62 years, of Brunswick county, and Mrs. Clinie Walker, aged 36 years, of Wilmington, daughter of Mr. W. H. Hardy, of Whiteville, the marriage to take place Sunday.

—Early last night Ambrose Robbins and E. Ebenhardt, well known young men of this city, engaged in a fisticuff at Second and Princess streets. Patrolman W. R. Applebury walked up during the encounter and placed the young men under arrest. They were recognized for their appearance at trial this morning.

—Capt. Hallam, of the steamer St. Jerome, against which a damage suit was started in Federal Court a few days ago by Joshua Moore, administrator of George Moore, has furnished the required bond of $10,000 and the vessel has been released by United States Deputy Marshall Knox. The action is for $10,000 alleged damages for the killing of George Moore, who lost his life while at work in the hold of the vessel a few days ago.

Funeral of Mr. Sykes Today.

The funeral of Mr. Chatham D. Sykes, a well known and highly esteemed citizen of this city, whose death occurred very suddenly Wednesday morning, while on a visit to his farm near Watha, will be held at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the residence, No. 708 Dock street, conducted by Rev. John M. Wells, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of which the deceased was a member for a number of years. The body was brought to this city yesterday, accompanied by Mr. Thomas P. Sykes, a brother, who went to Watha Wednesday night, and was taken to the home on Dock street.

Mr. C. H. Gaskins Bereaved.

Mr. G. H. Gaskins, of The J. W. Fleet Co., left yesterday morning for Griffin, N. C., in response to a telegram received Wednesday night announcing the sudden death of his father, at his home there in the 74th year of his age. Mr. Gaskins had not been advised of any recent illness of his father and was totally unprepared for the announcement of his passing. Mr. Gaskins has a wide circle of friends in this city who will deeply sympathize with him in his bereavement.

You Must Read This if You Want the Benefit.

J. W. Greer, Greenwood, La., suffered with a severe case of lumbago, "The pains were so intense I was forced to hypodermic injections for relief. These started with a pain in the small of my back, which gradually became fairly paralyzing. My attention was attracted to Foley's Kidney Remedy and I am glad to say after using this wonderful medicine I am no longer bothered in any way by my old enemy, lumbago." Robt. R. Bellamy.

MRS. C. H. WARD DEAD.

Passed Away Yesterday Afternoon After Illness of Some Time.

Many friends will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. C. H. Ward, who passed away at 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her residence, No. 105 1-2 Dock street, after an illness covering a period of 12 months, of a complication of diseases. Mrs. Ward was 69 years old and had resided in Wilmington a number of years and was held in the highest esteem by a large circle of friends, who were deeply grieved to learn of her passing. She was a consistent member of Grace Methodist church. She is survived by her husband, Mr. C. H. Ward; two half-sisters Mrs. J. B. Timberlake, of Raleigh, and Mrs. T. F. Anderson, of Weldon, and three grand-children, Mr. Vance Norwood, Jr., of Wilmington, Miss Marie L. Norwood and Charlie Norwood, of Hendersonville, who have the tenderest sympathy of a great many friends in their bereavement. The funeral services will be held tomorrow, at an hour to be announced later.

TAKE CARE!

Remember that when your kidneys are affected, your life is in danger. M. Mayer, Rochester, N. Y., says, "My trouble started with a sharp shooting pain over my back which grew worse daily. I felt sluggish and tired, my kidney action was irregular and infrequent. I started using Foley Kidney Pills. Each dose seemed to put new life and strength into me, and now I am completely cured and feel better and stronger than for years." Robt. R. Bellamy.

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FORECLOSURE SALE.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage made by W. J. Reaves and wife to the Wilmington Homestead & Loan Association, registered in Book 55, page 147, the undersigned will sell, to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, on Tuesday the 3rd day of January, 1911, at twelve o'clock, M., at the front door of the Court House in the City of Wilmington, N. C., the following described lots situate in said City, bounded as follows:

First: A lot beginning in Western line of Second street, 97 feet south of Southern line of Church street; runs thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet; thence Southwardly parallel with Second Street 35 feet; thence Eastwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet to Second street; thence with the Western line of Second Street Northwardly 35 feet to the beginning.

Second: A lot beginning in the Western line of Second Street 169 feet South of the Southern line of Church Street; runs thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 110 feet; thence Southwardly parallel with Second Street 29 feet; thence Eastwardly parallel with Church Street 110 feet to Western line of Second Street; thence Northwardly with said line 29 feet to the beginning.

Third: A lot beginning in the Western line of Second Street 231 feet South of Southern line of Church Street; runs thence Southwardly with said line of Second Street 33 feet; thence Westwardly parallel with Church Street 165 feet; thence Northwardly parallel with Second Street 33 feet; thence Eastwardly 165 feet to the beginning.

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By John D. Bellamy & Son, Attorneys.
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For full information as to rates, schedules, etc., call on your local Agent or address the undersigned.

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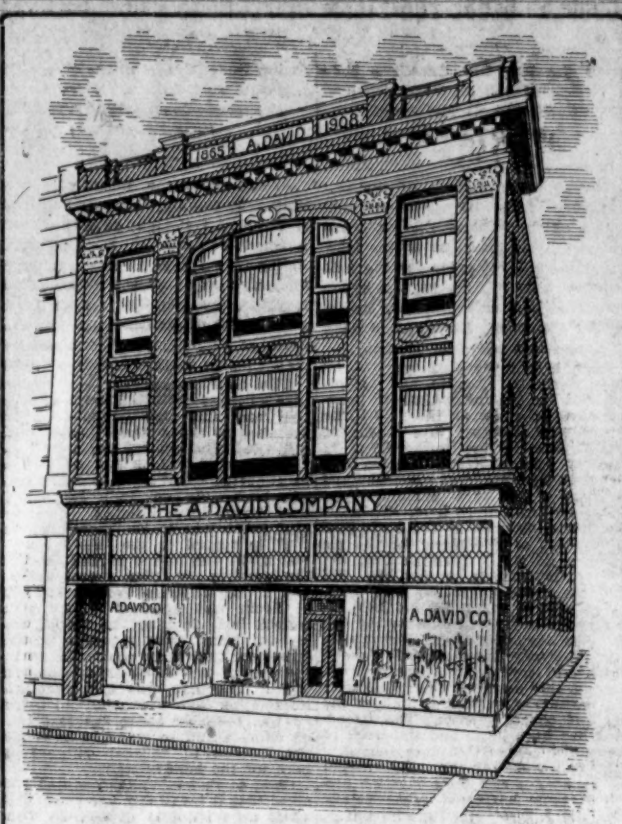

IT'S a lot easier to buy Christmas presents for a woman than for a man; and, as a rule, men have the easier job, and women the harder. If you ladies would go at it the way a man does, you'd find it a good deal easier than you do. A man goes where women's things are; and buys. Why dont you ladies go where a man's things are? Here are

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage made by Chas. L. Dickinson and wife Lillie W. Dickinson to Chadbourn Lumber Company, dated September 25, 1909, recorded in Book 58, at page 479 of the Records of New Hanover, the undersigned mortgagee will on the 11th day of January 1911, at the Court House door of New Hanover County, at 12 o'clock, noon, expose for sale to the highest bidder, for cash, the following described real estate, situated in the City of Wilmington:

Beginning at a point in the western line of Second street 66 feet north of the northern line of Nun street, and runs thence along said line of Second street northwardly 66 feet, thence westwardly and parallel with Nun street 90 feeth thence southwardly and parallel with Second street 66 feet, and thence eastwardly and parallel with Nun street 90 feet to the beginning, the same being the eastern end of Lot 5 in Block 113 ,according to the official plan of said City of Wilmington.

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FINANCIAL and COMMERCIAL

UNUSUALLY QUIET FOR COTTON

No Change of Importance Occurred in Market Yesterday—Some Support From Trade Interests—Conditions.

New York, Dec. 22.—No change of importance occuried in the cotton market today, fluctuations being even narrower than they were yesterday with the close steady, net one point higher to one lower.

The opening was steady at an advance of 4 points to a decline of one point on the steady showing of the Liverpool cables and a little covering by sellers. There was no aggressive buying, however, and during the middle of the day prices worked off to a net loss of 3 to 5 points under scattered realizing or local selling in anticipation that there might still be some speculative liquidation before the close tomorrow. But no important lines of long cotton came on the market, but there was some support from trade interests, a little Southern buying and with the bulls taking a little cotton on a scale down, prices soon steadied, later rallying to about the closing figures of last night. Some attention was attracted by a report that New England spinners would organize an extended curtailment of production after the first of the year, if business did not improve in the meantime, but the influence of this on sentiment was partially offset by reports that the inventories of leading Western dry goods houses showed very light stocks and continued favorable trade adices from abroad.

Receipts at the ports today 44,676 bales against 72,984 last week and 22,260 last year; for the week 340,000 bales against 426,865 last week and 224,740 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans 13,113 bales against 3,438 last year; and at Houston 8,849 bales against 8,648 last year.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 15.15; middling gulf 15.40; sales 1,400 bales. Futures opened and closed steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	14.88	14.89	14.84	14.87
January	14.90	14.90	14.83	14.87
February	.....	.....	.....	15.02
March	15.20	15.21	15.15	15.17
April	15.28	15.28	15.28	15.28
May	15.37	15.38	15.36	15.37
June	.....	.....	.....	15.40
July	15.39	15.41	15.36	15.40
August	15.06	15.07	15.01	15.03
October	13.72	13.72	13.69	13.69

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Quiet, 15; net receipts 11,450; gross receipts 11,450; sales 2,050; stock 247,106; constwise 1,822.

New Orleans—Steady, 14 5-16@ net receipts 13,113; gross receipts 13,139; sales 2,550; stock 252,781; Great Britain 9,000; continent 9,000.

Mobile—Steady, 14 7-8; net receipts 1,078; gross receipts 1,078; sales 750; stock 60,880; constwise 40.

Savannah—Steady, 14 11-16; net receipts 8,826; gross receipts 8,826; sales 4,835; stock 205,688; constwise 2,05.

Charleston—Steady, 14 5-8; net receipts 1,854; gross receipts 1,854; sales 200; stock 44,131; constwise 2,221.

Wilmington—Quiet, 14 5-8; 2,748; gross receipts 2,748; sales 22,334; France 12,725.

Norfolk—Steady, 15; net receipts 3,330; gross receipts 3,330; sales 1,211; stock 29,341; constwise 6,011.

Baltimore—Nominal, 15; stock 11,032 constwise 2,450.

New York—Quiet, 15.15; net receipts 5,595; gross receipts 1,400; stock 266,728; continent 120; constwise 2,650.

Boston—Quiet, 15.15; net receipts 1,482 gross receipts 8,850; stock 27,062.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 15.40; stock 3,824.

Texas Cities — Net receipts 786; gross receipts 786; constwise 71; Mexico 715.

Minor Ports—Stock 8,494.

Total today at all ports—Net 44,676; Great Britain 9,000; France 12,725; continent 9,120; Mexico 715; stock, 1,179,430.

Consolidated at all ports—Net 275,237; Great Britain 66,842; France 26,379; continent 63,863; Japan 3,600; Mexico 715.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net 5,618,885; Great Britain 1,959,950; France 474,843; continent 1,470,238; Japan 51,875; Mexico 1,215.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 15; net receipts 8,849; gross receipts 8,849; shipments 8,433; sales 3,679; stock 131,157.

Augusta—Steady, 15; net receipts 1,011; gross receipts 2,322; shipments 1,387; sales 1,578; stock 94,583.

Memphis—Firm, 15⅝; net receipts 3,808; gross receipts 4,245; shipments 4,171; sales 3,600; stock 217,308.

St. Louis—Steady, 15 7-16; net receipts 830; gross receipts 5,918; shipments 5,492; stock 21,019.

Cincinnati—Net receipts 3,075; gross receipts 3,075; shipments 1,516; stock 17,316

Little Rock—Firm, 14 7-8; net receipts 1,588; gross receipts 1,588; shipments 2,000; stock 48,987.

Louisville—15⅜.

Total today—Net receipts 20,061; 26,297 shipments 23,089; sales 8,857; stock 330,460.

COTTON MARKET YESTERDAY.

Assuming a Holiday Character—Bullish Foreign Reports.

(Special Star Telegram.)

New York, Dec. 22.—All the markets are assuming a holiday character and the cotton market is no exception. Judging from the action of the trade today there are practically no sellers except what is known as the hedges against Christmas cotton, which have come on the market the past few days. This cotton has been bought on such a basis in the South as to also permit delivery here which is a curious feature in fact of the bullish ideas so prevalent.

We expect that the tenders here on December and January will be taken up on a carrying basis. It will hardly be less because of the large stock accumulating here. One hears nothing against the market excepting the large movement and the poor trade in America. England continues to send very bullish reports of the condition of trade in Manchester.

HUBBARD BROS. & CO.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 22.—Money on call steady 3 1-4 to 3 1-2, ruling rate 3 1-4, closing bid 3 1-4, offered at 3 3-8. Time loans easier, rates nominal; 60 and 90 days 4 per cent., six months 4. Prime mercantile paper 5 to 5 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.8240 to 4.8250 for 60 day bills and at 4.8545 for demand. Commercial bills 4.81 3-4 to 4.82. Bar silver 54 3-8. Mexican dollars 45.

PEANUTS.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Spanish—Market firm, at $1.12 1-2 per bushel.

Virginias—Firm; Jumbo, 3 5-8c. to 4c.; Fancy Hand Picked, 3 1-2c.; Machine Picked, 3c to 3 1-4c.; Shelling Stock, 2 1-2c.

MARINE

Arrived.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. A. Munn.

Br. str. Clivegrove, 2,265 tons, Squire; Huelva via Charleston, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Cleared.

Br. str. St. Jerome, Hallam, Havre, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Exports—Foreign.

Havre, France—Br. str. St. Jerome, 12,725 bales of cotton, valued at $1,015.00; vessel and cargo by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

Gretavale (Br.) 1,578 tons, Macmillan, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Eriphia (Ger.) 1,280 tons, Bellman, Heide & Co.

Kalanga (Br.) 2,160 tons, Plomer, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Tennyson (Br.) 1,315 tons, Williams, Heide

Lovaine (Br.) 1,998 tons, Daniels, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Clivegrove (Br.), 2,265 tons, Squire, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Blanche (Br.) 165 tons, Albury, C. D. Maffitt.

F. & T. Lupton, 797 tons, Longstreet, C D. Maffitt

Barques.

Caithness-shire (Br.) 1,325 tons, Halford, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Atlantic Coast Line—2,748 bales cotton; 11 bbls. rosin; 98 bbls. tar; 41 bbls. crude turpentine.

Schr. Addie May—12 casks spirits turpentine; 90 bbls. rosin; 2 bbls. tar.

Total—2,748 bales cotton; 12 casks spirits turpentine; 101 bbls. rosin; 100 bbls tar; 21 bbls. crude turpentine.

THE PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Dec. 22.—Flour quiet, steady.

Rye Flour and Barley—Firm.

Buckwheat Flour—Dull.

Buckwheat—Quiet.

Rye—Steady.

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 98 1-8 elevator and 97 5-8 f.o.b. afloat. Options closed 1-4 to 3-8c net higher. December 97; May 1.02; July 1.00 1-4.

Corn—Firm; No. 2 new 52 1-4 nominal f.o.b. Futures closed unchanged to 1-2c net lower. December 55; May 56.

Oats—Steady. Futures closed 1-4c lower to 1-4c advance. December 38; May 39 7-8; July 39 1-4.

Lard—Easy.

Tallow—Quiet.

Petroleum and Rice—Steady.

Rosin—Strained, common to good, 6.00 to 6.10.

Molasses—Firm.

Sugar—Raw steady.

Coffee—Futures closed barely steady at a decline of 5 to 15 points; sales 26,750 bags. Spot—Quiet; Rio No. 7, 13 1-2; Santos No. 4, 13 7-8. Mild—Dull; Cordova 13 3-4 to 15 3-4.

Butter—Easy; process to special 20 to 25 1-2.

Cheese—Steady, unchanged.

Eggs—Firm; State, Pennsylvania and nearby selected white fancy 50; do gathered white 40 to 48; gathered brown 38 to 40.

Potatoes—Steady; Maine, per bag 1.50 to 1.62; Southern 75 to 1.25.

Cabbages—Steady, unchanged.

Freights and Peanuts—Unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Easy under local progressional selling and in sympathy with lower hog products. Trading was quiet and of a pre-holiday character. Futures closed 3 to 12 points net lower. December 7.30 January 7.26 to 7.27; February 7.27 to 7.33; March 7.34 to 7.36; April 7.36 to 7.38; prime crude 6.33 to 6.40; prime summer yellow 7.35 to 7.50; prime winter yellow 7.75 to 8.00; prime summer white 7.30 to 7.65.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 22.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Steady, at 75¼ cents.

ROSIN — Steady, $5.40 per barrel of 280 pounds.

TAR—Firm, $2.40 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market, firm $4.50 (per barrel for hard; $6.00 for dip and $6.00 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm 52 1-2; rosin nothing doing; tar, $2.00; crude turpentine; firm $2.50, $4.00 and $4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	12
Rosin	101
Tar	100
Crude Turpentine	21

Receipts same day last year, 7 casks spirits turpentine; 9 barrels rosin; 68 barrels tar; 15 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Quiet, 14 3-8 cents for middling. Same day last year, 14 1-4 cents.

Receipts—2,748 bales, same day last year, 750 bales.

PRODUCE MARKET.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 18th.)

PEANUTS—Virginias, extra prime 70 cents, fancy 75 cents. Spanish from $1.05 to $1.15 cents. North Carolina, No. 1, 90 to 95 cents per bushel. New crop.

CORN—Firm, 70c per bushel.

N. C. HAMS—Good demand; hams 22; shoulders 17 to 18 cents and side 17 to 18c.

EGGS—Good demand, 27 cents.

CHICKENS—Spring 25 to 40; grown, 45 and 50 cents, dull.

BEESWAX—Firm 27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2 to 5c per pound

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 45 to 50 cents per bushel.

HIDES—Dr. flint 13c; green 7c per pound

WOOL—Burr 12 to 15c; free of burr 18 to 20c.

CHEESE—60 cents per head.

PORK—9 to 10 cents, net.

SHEEP—No demand.

LAMB—$1.00 to $2.50.

PEAS—white peas, $2.50 to $2.75.

IRISH POTATOES—New crop 80 to 90 cents, dull.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Spot in Fair Demand—Prices One Point Lower.

Liverpool, Dec. 22.—Spot cotton in fair demand, prices one point lower. American middling fair 8.64; good middling 8.30; middling 8.16; low middling 7.96; good ordinary 7.70; ordinary 7.45. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 7,700 American. Receipts 25,000 bales including 23,700 American.

Futures opened quiet and closed quiet and steady. December 7.96 1-2; December and January 7.95 1-2; January and February 7.95 1-2; February and March 7.96 1-2; March and April 7.97 1-2; April and May 7.98; May and June 7.9 81-2; June and July 7.97; July and August 7.94 1-2; August and September 7.73 1-2; September and October 7.41; October and November 7.21.

The slogan of this year's campaign is, "A Million for Tuberculosis."

HOLIDAY ASPECT IN STOCKS

Limited Operations in the Stock Market Yesterday—Business Restricted to Better Known Issues—Conditions.

New York, Dec. 22.—Operations in the stock market today bore the familiar holiday aspect. Business was restricted even more than usual to the better known issues and in these fucenations generally were so narrow as to rob them of any significance. The market was bearishly inclined, but the failure of pressure to bring out stocks during the early session nearing the short interest to halt.

Several efforts were made to depress United States Steel, but that stock held firm above 72. Lehigh Valley held barely steady and the theory was advanced in some quarters that yesterday's increase in the dividend frox 6 to 10 per cent. annually not only showed a lack of conservatism on the part of the new interests in control of that property, but might perhaps prove harmful to the cause of the railroads generally in their demands for increased freight rates. Reading was under pressure the greater part of the day, falling over two points from the previous day's high level.

Selling of this stock was said to come largely from Philadelphia sources and the failure of the directors to increase the dividend on the common shares yesterday was given as one of the reasons for its weakness.

The increased reactionary tendency of the metal stocks was traceable more directly to the well known conditions prevailing in the copper market and reports that agents of the leading selling companies were making further price concessions were generally credited.

Lowest prices of the day were recorded in the final hour, and were accompanied by circumstantial rumors that the independent iron and steel companies were making further cuts in prices. Advices from the various centers of activity in this industry were generally discouraging, and one of the recognized trade authorities announced that greater dullness than usual characterizes present conditions. It was semi-officially stated that the United States Steel Corporation contemplates shutting down more blast furnaces in the near future and this move, it is believed, will be of brief duration.

Further gains in cash were made by local financial institutions and the easier money conditions were attested in both call and time accommodations.

The bond market was barely steady and les active, reflecting the market for stocks. Total sales par value $2,233,000. United States bonds were unchanged. Total sales stocks for the day were 213,200 shares.

THE BOND MARKET.

U. S. ref. 2s, registered	100¾
U. S. ref. 2s, coupon	100¾
U. S. 3s, registered	102
U. S. 3s, coupon	102½
U. S. 4s, registered	113½
U. S. 4s, coupon	113½
Allis-Chalmers 1st 5s	76½
American Agricultural 5s	102⅞
American Tel. and Tel. cv. 4s	105
American Tobacco 4s	80¼
American Tobacco 6s	105¼
Armour and Co 4½s	92⅞
Atchison gen. 4s	98⅞
Atchison cv. 4s	105¼
Atchison cv. 5s	108⅝
Atlantic Coast Line 1st 4s	94
Baltimore and Ohio 3½s	92⅝
Baltimore and Ohio S. W. 3½s	90⅜
Brooklyn Transit cv. 4c	82¾
Central of Georgia 5s	106⅜
Chesapeake and Ohio 4½s	103⅝
Chesapeake and Ohio ref. 4½s	94¼
Chicago and Alton 3½s	70
Chicago, B. and Quincy joint 4s	90⅜
Chic., R. and Quincy gen. 4s	97½
Chicago, Mil. and St. P. deb. 4s	92
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. R. R. col. 4s	75
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry rfg. 4s	89¼
Colorado Industrial 5s	76¼
Colorado Midland 4s	66
Col and Southern ref. and ext. 4½s	97⅜
Delaware and Hudson cv. 4s	99½
Denver and Rio Grande 4s	90
Denver and Rio Grande ref. 5s	89⅝
Distillers' 5s	77
Erie prior lien 4s	83¾
Erie gen. 4s	74½
Erie cv. 4s, series "A"	73
Erie cv. 4s, series "B"	69½
General Electric cv. 5s	149⅝
Illinois Central 1st ref. 4s	96
Interborough-Met 4½s	79¾
Inter. Merc. Marine 4½s	82⅝
Japan 4s	89¾
Japan 4½s	95½
Kansas City Southern 1st 3s	73½
Lake Shore deb. 4s (1931)	96½
Louisville and Nashville Un. 4s	98⅝
Missouri, Kan. and Texs 1st 4s	97½
Mo., Kan. and Texas gen. 4½s	84½
Missouri Pacific 4s	77½
National Rys of Mexico 4½s	94⅜
New York Central gen. 3½s	90¾
New York Central deb. 4s	93¾
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford cv. 6s	134
Norfolk and Western 1st con 4s	98⅜
Norfolk and Western cv. 4s	100⅝
Northern Pacific 4s	99⅞
Northern Pacific 3s	71
Oregon Short Line rfdg. 4s	93
Penn. cv. 3½s (1915)	99⅝
Penn. con. 4s	103¾
Reading gen. 4s	98
St. Louis and San Fran. fg. 4s	80½
St. Louis and San Fran. gen 5s	86⅜
St. Louis Southwestern con. 4s	75
St. Louis Southwestern 1st old 4s	89⅜
Seaboard Air Line 5s, adj	76¾
Southern Pacific col. 4s	91⅝
Southern Pacific cv. 4s	97⅜
Southern Pacific R. R. 1st ref. 4s	94⅞
Southern Railway 5s	107½
Southern Railway gen. 4s	75⅝
Union Pacific 4s	101⅛
Union Pacific cv. 4s	104
Union Pacific 1st and ref. 4s	90⅞
United States Rubber 6s	102½
United States Steel 2nd 5s	104⅜
Virginia-Carolina Chemical 5s	100
Wabash 1st and ext. 4s	63⅝
Western Maryland 4s	80⅝
Westinghouse Electric cv. 5s	92½
Wisconsin Central 4s	93½

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers pfd	31
Amalgamated Copper	63
American Agricultural	45½
American Beet Sugar	42½
American Can	8¾
American Car & Foundry	49¾
American Cotton Oil	58
American Hide and Leather pfd	22
American Ice Securities	17½
American Linseed	11
American Locomotive	36½
American Smelting and Refining	73½
Amer. Smelting and Ref., pfd	102¾
American Steel Foundries	32
American Sugar Refining	114
American Tel. and Tel	142½
American Tobacco pfd	95
American Woolen	32
Anaconda Mining Co	30
Atchison	100⅜
Atchison pfd	102½
Atlantic Coast Line	114
Baltimore and Ohio	103
Bethlehem Steel	27½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	75¾
Canadian Pacific	193½
Central Leather	32
Central Leather pfd	103
Central of New Jersey (ex. div.)	280
Chesapeake and Ohio	80⅝
Chicago and Alton	30
Chicago Great Western	22
Chicago Great Western pfd	44½
Chicago and Northwestern	141½
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	122
C., C., C. and St. Louis	65
Colorado Fuel and Iron	30⅞
Colorado and Southern	56⅜
Consolidated Gas	152½
Corn Products	14½
Delaware and Hudson	163
Denver and Rio Grande	28⅜
Denver and Rio Grande pfd	70
Distillers Securities	32½
Erie	27½
Erie, 1st pfd	46
Erie, 2nd pfd	34
General Electric	154½
Great Northern pfd	122⅜
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	56
Illinois Central	131
Interborough-Met	19⅜
Interborough-Met. pfd	54
Inter Harvester	110
Inter-Marine pfd	15½
International Paper	12
International Pump	40⅝
Iowa Central	18
Kansas City Southern	31
Kansas City Southern, pfd	64½
Laclede Gas	105
Louisville and Nashville	143
Minneapolis and St. Louis	27
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	139
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	31
Mo., Kans and Texas, pfd	62¼
Missouri Pacific	45½
National Biscuit	119
National Lead	54
Nat. Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd	34½
New York Central (ex. div.)	110⅝
New York, Ontario and Western	40¾
Norfolk and Western	98
North American	64
Northern Pacific	115⅞
Pacific Mail	28¾
Pennsylvania	128¾
People's Gas	106¾
Pittsburg C., C. and St. Louis	96¼
Pittsburg Coal	17¾
Pressed Steel Car	30
Pullman Palace Car	158
Railway Steel Spring	31
Reading	149⅝
Republic Steel	30½
Republic Steel, pfd	92½
Rock Island Co.	20⅜
Rock Island Co., pfd	49⅝
St. Louis and San Fran. 2nd pfd	38¾
St. Louis Southwestern	25
St. Louis Southwestern pfd	61
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	49
Southern Pacific	115
Southern Railway	26
Southern Railway, pfd	51¾
Tennessee Copper	34¾
Texas and Pacific	25⅜
Toledo, St. Louis and Western	22½
Toledo, St. oLuis and Western, pfd	51
Union Pacific	176½
Union Pacific, pfd	91½
United States Realty	68
United States Rubber	34
United States Steel	72⅜
United States teel, pfd	116⅝
Utah Copper	44⅛
Virginia-arolina Chemical	47½
Wabash	16¾
Wabash, pfd	33½
Western Maryland	47½
Westinghouse Electric	99
Western Union	73½
Wheeling and Lake Erie	4½

THE GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, December 22.—Because of less moisture than expected in the drought district southwest, wheat prices tightened up today. The close was at a net gain of ¼ to ⅝. Corn finished with an advance of ⅝@67½ to ⅝@⅔ over last night, and oats up ¼ to ⅛@⅜c. Provisions declined 7½ to 15c., compared with yesterdays prices.

Cash Grain—Wheat: No. 2. red, 93½ to 94½; No. 3, red, 91¾ to 93½; No. 2, hard 93⅝ to 96; No. 3 hard 91¼ to 95; No. 1 northern, 105 to 103; No. 2, northern, 102 to 104½; No. 3 northern 100 to 103; No. 2 spring, 95 to 103; No. 3 spring, 93 to 102; velvet chaff 90 to 100; durum 83 to 92.

Corn—No. 2, 46½ to 46¾; No. 2, new 46¼ to 46¾; No. 2 white, 46¾ to 46¾; No. 2 yellow 46½ to 47; No. 2 yellow, new, 46¾ to 46⅞; No. 3, 45½ to 46; No. 3, new 45¾ to 46; No. 3 yellow 46¾ to 47; No. 3 yellow, new 43⅝ to 44½; No. 4, 45 to 45½; No. 4 new 41 1-16 42½; No. 4, white, 45 to 45½; No. 4 white new 41½ to ...; No. 4 yellow 45 to 45½; No. 4 yellow, new 41⅝ to 42½.

Oats—No. 2, 31 to 31½; No. 2 white 32½ to 33⅜; No. 3 white 32 to 32½; No. 4, 28½ to 29; No. 4, white 31½ to 32; standard, 32½ to 32⅝.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Dec	91¾	91⅞	91¼	91⅜
May	93⅝	93⅞	93⅝	93¼
July	93¼	93⅝	93	93¼
Corn:				
Dec	45½	45½	45¼	45⅜
May	47⅝	47⅝	47½	47⅝
July	48¾	48¾	48½	48⅝
Sept	49½	49½	49¼	49⅜
Oats:				
Dec	31¼	31⅜	31¼	31⅜
May	34	34⅛	34	34⅛
July	34¼	34½	34¼	34⅜
Mess Pork, per bbl.:				
Jan	19.80	19.82½	19.80	19.85
May	18.55	18.80	18.55	18.72½
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	10.75	10.85	10.75	10.80
May	10.35	10.40	10.32½	10.35
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	10.60	10.70	10.57½	10.62½
May	9.95	9.97½	9.90	9.92½

NAVAL STORES.

New York, December 22. — Turpentine firm.

Savannah, December 22.—Turpentine firm at 76½; sales 672; receipts 188; shipments 687; stocks 14,920.

Rosin firm; sales 1,680; receipts 1,712; shipments 4,012; stocks 79,275. Quote: B 5.55 5.40; E 5.80 to 5.90; F 5.85 to 5.90; G 5.87½ to 5.92½; H 5.90 to 5.95; I 6.05; K 6.75; M 7.15; N 7.30; WG 7.40; WW 7.50.

Charleston, December 22.— Turpentine firm at 76¼; sales 30 casks. Rosin firm A, B, C, 5.75 to 5.85 to 5.77½ to 5.85; F 5.85 to 5.90; G 5.85 to 5.90; H 5.90; I 6.05 to 6.25; K 6.70 to 6.75; M 7.10 to 7.15; N 7.25; WG 7.35; WW 7.45.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 22.—The cotton goods market remains quiet and firm; Curtailment of production is being talked of freely by manufacturers. Yarns rule steady and quiet. Ginghams are being ordered more freely. Silks for foundation cloths are in better call.

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Lv. Wilson	*8 20am	*11 30pm
Lv. New Bern	*9 30am	*11 05pm
Ar. Norfolk	*3 35pm	*8 00am

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Lv. Wilson, A. C. L.	*5 49am	*5 49am
Ar. Wilson	*5 05am	5 05am
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This 17th day of November, 1910.

EMILY BRIDGES,
Administratrix of Mary Bridges.

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THE WEATHER

U. S. Department of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 23, 1910.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M., Thursday, Dec. 22nd:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 24 degrees; 8 P. M., 36 degrees; maximum, 42 degeres; minimum, 23 degrees; mean, 32 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, 0; for the month .32 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., Thursday. 4.7 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina — Rain and warmer Friday; Saturday, clearing and somewhat colder; moderate east wind shifting to northwest Saturday.

Port Calendar—December 23.

Sun Rises .. ..7:15 A. M.
Sun Sets .. ..5:08 P. M.
Day's Length. .. .. .. .9 hrs 53 min.
High water at Southport. 1:00 A. M
High water at Wilmington, 3:00 A. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.
December 21, 1910.

STATIONS.	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Today. Highest	Temperature Today. Lowest last night.	24-hour precipitation, 8 P. M.
Asheville	cloudy	42	10	.0
Atlanta	cloudy	42	26	.0
Atlanta	cloudy	42	26	.0
Charleston	clear	42	28	.0
Charlotte	pt. cloudy	42	18	.0
Chicago	cloudy	36	24	.02
Galveston	raining	66	58	.34
Jacksonville	cloudy	56	34	.0
New Orleans	cloudy	66	44	.0
New York	clear	30	14	.0
Pittsburg	cloudy	34	14	.0
Raleigh	clear	40	20	.0
St. Louis	cloudy	38	32	.0
Washington	clear	34	20	.0

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Academy—Christmas Week.
A. J. Moore, Jr.—Freight Notice.
Norfolk & Southern—Best Route.
W. B. Cooper—Christmas Greeting.
Murchison National Bank—Dividend.
D. R. Foster & Co—Merry Christmas.
Wm. E. Springer & Co.—Dont Forget.

Business Locals.

For Sale—Melodion.
For Disposal—Sand.
Wanted—Moulder and Setter.

POULTRY RAISING FOR PROFIT

Some Thoughts Inspired by Great Show at Omaha—Some Examples of Successful Plants in the West—Exhibits.

Omaha, Dec. 15, 1910.

Editor Wilmington Star:—

Your city readers who are poultry fanciers and country subscribers who raise chickens and others fowls for profit more than pleasure may be interested in a short talk about the exhibition in progress in this city under the management of the Trans-Mississippi Poultry Show. There are about 3,000 entries of the chicken, turkey, duck and goose families, besides an array of fancy pigeons that would delight the spirit of Charles Darwin if it were these to see. The main feature is, as it ought to be fine chickens for egg-laying and table qualities. The exhibits of these are principally from Nebraska, Kansas Iowa and Minnesota each of which makes fine and large displays of what may be called blue-blooded birds of real aristocratic lineage. One not well up in the mystic art of discerning the fine points of these handsome or huge candidates for favor and preference is lost in admiration between the Buff Orpingtons, Buff Cochins, white and barred Plymouth Rocks Light Bramas, Black Spanish, white and black Legaorns and other varieties familiar only to one versed in chicken lore. These lords, ladies and misses of poultrydom are smoothed primped and manicured with as much care as a ball room belle would indulge in, for the inspection of the judges and the thousands who view and admire them. They are magnificent specimens of the chicken species and show evidence of what marvelous improvement may be made in their families by intelligent care and judicious breeding. The birds of these larger varieties run from ten to twelve pounds in weight, wherein the positive gain of the table is seen over unimproved stock. A Buff Orpington imported from England at a cost of $900 made his debut as an exhibition bird at this show and is naturally attracting much attention, but to the eye of the ordinary layman—perhaps not lay hen—has not much to crow about over many of his less assuming american kin. A Kansas exhibitor who makes a specialty of these fine fowls, has a large exhibition of them here both as to number and size of birds, and his display of silver loving-cups, gold medals and prize ribbons is quite enough to make his birds feel as fine as they look.

A banker of Council Bluffs, who is a light Brama fancier, has 82 of as fine chickens of that class as ever can be seen anywhere on exhibition. If one was offered his pick of hen or cockerel from the bunch, it would puzzle him to determine which to select—they are so much alike in looks and size. Among the birds that attract attention for novel features are some Black Houdons with bunches of topnots that droop over their faces meeting feathery formations on the neck and each side of the face like an old Englishman's sidewhiskers, producing with the topnots, an amusing effect. When hen or rooster stands up straight to get a good look at the curious inspector one does not feel sure whether he is looking at a chicken or an owl. There are other Black Houdons with massive white topnots, much like, and nearly as large as chrysanthemums. Nature was in a freakish mood when she produced this clear black Houdon with its white hood on. Another novelty is what is called the white silk bantams a dozen, a Japanese production, which have feathers only on the wings, the rest of the covering being silk-like hair down to the toes. The display of turkeys and geese is not large but the birds are. Two of the turkey cocks stand about three feet high, are marked on the feathers as beautifully as peacocks and are said to weigh about 50 pounds each.

As an instructive lesson in what may be accomplished in chicken culture, from a small beginning, I may mention a fine showing of white Leghorns made by the young lady who is secretary of the Board of Trade here For diversion from the routine and exacting duties she purchased four years ago ten hens and a rooster to lord it over them. She now has 2,000 chickens on her little farm near here—has disposed of nearly as many during the year as wen as fresh eggs to city purchasers. She runs incubators during the Winter in a steam heated house and furnishes broilers for dainty eaters when six weeks old at $9 per dozen. It looks as if she may resign the Board of Trade secretaryship any time she cares to.

There are other examples of chicken plants from small beginnings here-one starting with 12 hens and a rooster now having 5,000 chickens. Another with 20 hens and rooster, now has 2,000 laying hens. The last one is the property of a merchant who finds pleasure and profit at his plant. Recently he visited what is said to be the largest poultry farm in the world near Philadelphia, where there are at present 21,000 chickens. He came back so full of chicken enthusiasm that he declares he will have a chicken farm to equal that near Philadelphia very soon. He is a hustler, glories in the name and fame of Omaha, has done much to establish both and has a farm of 320 acres near the city, so he has room enough as well as money to spread, and a big spirit of enterprise to supplement other quantifications. Such men have made this city what it is and such exhibitions as this help well to keep her name in the forefront of the public eye.

I send the Star this communication with the purpose to attract the attention of its North Carolina farmers readers to the possibilities there are for profit in chicken raising, fine eggs and table use. If it has proven such a profitable return here in so many cases that might be mentioned, there does not seem to be any reason why it may not prove more so in a section where there is no long cold Winter to contend with and where there are so many other favorable conditions than here for successful chicken raising. Not the fancy sort that means a large investment of labor, time and money, but the everyday kind that with small expense, time or labor yield a profitable supply of eggs and flesh for the table.

A. T. DUFFY.

CHILDREN IN DEATH TRAP.

Burned While Mother Had Gone to the Store.

Uniontown, Pa., December 22. — Locked in his burning home, little John Serman fought valiantly for the life of his baby sister, and, when all efforts failed, fell dead over her body early today at Herbert, nine miles from here. They had been locked in a bed room by their mother, who had gone to the store with the injunction that John rock the baby's cradle until she returned. The mother was delayed and before her return neighbors saw the house was afire. Breaking down a door they discovered John dead on the floor, while evidences showed he had attempted to escape with the baby by way of a window.

ROBBED TRAIN AT EL PASO.

Bandit Got Money From Passengers on Sunset Express.

El Paso, Texas, December 22.—The Sunset Express, the Southern Pacific through passenger train from San Francisco to New Orleans, was robbed in the heart of this city at 7 o'clock tonight by a highwayman. The bandit boarded the observation car as it was leaving the station. With two drawn revolvers, he forced the passengers to stand and deliver. He got $130 in money and two railway tickets.

After riding three blocks, the robber commanded a brakeman to stop the train. As it slowed down, he jumped off and disappeared.

Mexico City, December 22.—Colonel Samuel Garcia Cuellar, chief of staff of President Diaz, left this morning for Chihuahua to succeed Colonel Guzman temporarily as commander of the Sixth battalion, now operating against the insurgents near Pedernales. Colonel Guzman was wounded in an engagement at Malpazo on Sunday last, his injury incapacitated him from taking further active part in the campaign for the present.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 22.—The body of the young white man found on the beach near Bear Trap on the Portsmouth side of the Elizabeth river Wednesday, was today identified as T. B. Squires, a fireman, employed by the Seaboard Air Line Railroad. The man made a fire on the beach and it is believed he fell asleep and fell into the flames. The body was badly burned when found. Squires' home was in Richmond, where he had a wife and several children.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS FARES Via NORFOLK SOUTHERN R. R.

On account of the Christmas Holidays, the Norfolk Southern Railroad will sell very low round-trip tickets to all points.

These tickets to be sold December 15, 16, 17, 21, 22. 23, 24, 25 and 31st, 1910, and January 1st, 1911, with final return limit to reach original starting point not later than midnight, January 8th, 1911.

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FOURTEEN KILLED IN PHILADELPHIA

(Continued from Page 1.)

when one of the walls fell at night. His cries were heard by rescuers who worked for 12 hours to free him. He was taken at 12:22 P. M today.

Before noon he was freed of everything except a big beam across one foot. Finally the beam was raised enough to release Glazier and a cheer went up from firemen and the enormous crowd of spectators.

John Lattimer, chief marshal, after an all day investigation, expressed the belief that the fire started in the first floor of the building. He was uanble to give the cause. The factory was 58 years old and expert building inspectors declare that the age of the walls had something to do with their suden collapse. Edwin Clark, chief of the Bureau of Building Inspection, said the walls collapsed because of their age and the manner of their construction. The mortar, he said, was so old that a little heat converted it practically into powder so that it had no adhesive power. Then the girders and beams instead of bars of iron and steel as in modern buildings, he explained, were of wood. This burned out quickly and took away the only support of the walls.

Mr. Clark agreed with many others in saying that the firemen should not have entered the building after the girders were ablaze.

A movement has already been started for the relief of the families of the dead men who had stood for hours in the freezing cold when the limp form was lifted upon a stretcher. There was rivalry among the hospital physicians for the privilege of caring for him and as Glazier passed a wish to be sent to St. Joseph's he was taken there as fast as an automobile ambulance could travel.

Among the killed is John Collins, of Truck No. 4, who died a hero. Collins early in the evening assisted in extinguishing a fire in a two-story building near the fire house, where he was stationed. With another fireman he entered the burning dwelling and mounting the stairway plunged into a fire filled room and carried an unconscious child from a bed into the street. In effecting the rescue Collins and his comrade were burned Collins refused to go to a hospital. Later in the night his company was ordered to the big fire. When he reached there the walls had already fallen. Collins threw himself into the rescue work, pulled one man from the ruins and was seen to go back after another. That was the last seen of him alive. He leaves a widow and seven children. Coroner Ford, who was on the scene ,paid an impressive tribute to the courage and devotion to duty of the firemen. "Consider how intense was the cold," he said, "and yet these men stuck to their posts and worked like heroes to rescue their companions beneath the ruins. I have never seen a finer thing and never expect to."

New York, Dec. 21.—United States Senator Nelson W. Aldrich, of Rhode Island, was successfully operated on at Roosevelt Hospital, this afternoon to relieve a strained tendon in his right hand. Senator Aldrich was resting easily tonight and will probably be able to leave the hospital in four or five days.

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NOTICE — The School authorities of Wilmington have 1,000 loads of sand suitable for building or filling in purposes. Given away for hauling, if removed in ten days from High School yard, corner of Fourth and Ann streets. de23-1w

FOR SALE—Fine Melodion organ, black walnut, five stops, double reed, fine tone cost $100. Will sell for $15, if sold at once 702 Ann street. de23-1t*

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FOR PLUMBING repairs call R. T. Wells, 'phone 1531, at 503 Walnut street. nov. 24-1mo.

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FOR RENT—A nice roomy store in the thriving little town of Atkinson. Now occupied by E. E. Murphy. Possession given January 1st, 1911. J. A. Murphy, Atkinson, N. C. de22-2t*

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WANTED—A good second hand No. 9 safe. Cary safe preferred. Apply to "N. H.," care Star. de22-3t

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FOR SALE—Ludwig upright standard piano, mahogany finish. A bargain to someone who desires a first-class instrument. Apply to Mrs. J. H. Niggel, 411 Walnut street, or call 'phone 227. nov. 15-tf.

GRAND SHOOTING MATCH at Geo. R. Smith's store at the 7-mile post on Market street road, Monday, December 26th, 1910. Will shoot off both turkeys and chickens. Come one, come all. Respectfully, Geo. R. Smith. de20-6t

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A. J. MOORE, JR.,
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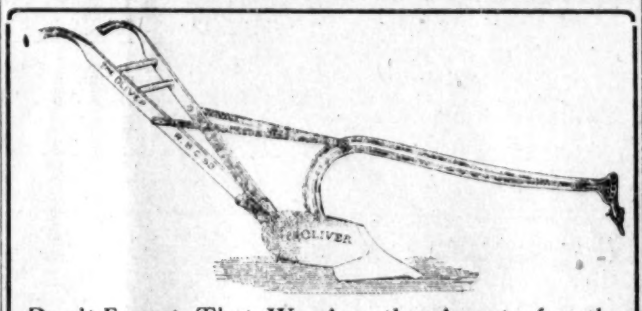

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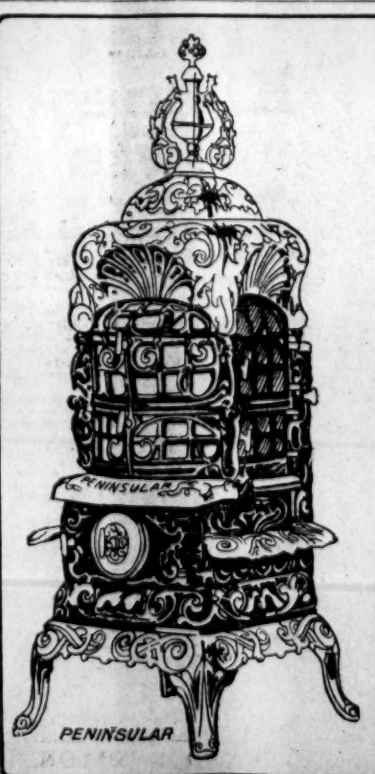

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Axminster Rugs, 36x72 each $3.15
Brussell Rugs, 9x12 each $13.50
Seamless Brussell Rugs, 9x12, each $16.50
Velvet Rugs, 9x12, each..$18.50
Seamless Velvet Rugs, 9x12, each $19.50
White Bed Spreads, good size, good quality, each.....$1.10
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Pictures, 16x20, 75c to....$3.50
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Pictures, 16x20, 75c to....$3.50
Pictures, 20x24, $1.00 to....$5.00
Pearl Pictures, each.....$1.50
Children's Arm Rocker, cane and cobbler seats,.....65c
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